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GIFT ENTERPRISE.

Grandest Scheme Ever Known.

FOURTH

Grand Gift Concert

FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE

PUBLIC LIBRARY

OF KENTUCKY.

12,000 CASH GIFTS.

$1,500,000.

Chances One in Five.

The Trustees of the PUBLIC LIBRARY OF KENTUCKY, under authority of a special act of the Legislature, which became a law March 16, 1871, undertook to establish a great free library at Louisville, Ky., by means of five Gift Concerts; and as an inducement to the extensive sale of tickets, they were empowered by the same act to distribute cash gifts by lot at these concerts to such persons as should buy the tickets. Three of these concerts have already been given, the first December 16, 1871, when $170,000, divided into 731 gifts, were distributed; the second December 7, 1872, at which 1,000 cash gifts, amounting to $275,000, were distributed; and the third July 5, 1873, when the sum of $500,000 in cash was divided into 14,029 cash gifts, and distributed among the ticket-holders.

The Capital Gift of $100,000 was drawn by Mr. L. H. Keith, of Kingston, Mass., who purchased 11 tickets on the 16th of December, 1872, for which he paid $150. His order for the tickets was a letter from him direct to the main office at Louisville inclosing the $150. Among the tickets sent to him by registered letter was No. 30,849, which drew the $100,000, and also numbers 30,158 and 29,466, which drew $10,000 each. On the 23d of July, 1873, Mr. Keith made his appearance in Louisville, and was introduced by Mr. C. F. Harvey, of the firm of Harvey & Keith, a well-known merchant of Louisville, who was paid his $100,000.

The second gift of $50,000 was drawn by Mr. Willis Worley, of Giles County, Tenn. On the 15th of March, 1873, Mr. Worley wrote a letter from the State Representatives, at Nashville, Tenn., to the main office at Louisville, Ky., inclosing $10 for a ticket. The ticket sent him was No. 18,436, which drew the $50,000. On the 16th of July, 1873, Mr. Worley sent on his ticket through the National Bank of Pulaski, Tenn., and was paid his $50,000.

The third gift of $25,000 was drawn by Mr. J. C. Knapp, of the firm of James A. Clark & Co., Liquor Merchants, in this city. On the 7th of July Mr. Knapp purchased 11 tickets, for which he paid $150. One of these tickets was No. 24,170, which drew the $25,000; another, No. 23,085, which drew $100; and Mr. Knapp also held the fourth of ticket No. 21,347, which drew $2.50.

The fourth gift of $20,000 was sold by Henry Wilkens, Cashier of the National Bank of Lexington, Ky., to a party of gentlemen in and about that city. Mr. Wilken ordered a number of tickets for citizens there, and among them got No. 21,764, which drew the $20,000.

The other gifts were drawn by persons scattered all over the world.

All these gifts were promptly paid, without any discount, on presentation of the tickets entitled to them, and the balance of the gross proceeds from the sales of tickets, less expenses, was appropriated to the use of the Library.

To the end that the Library, Museum, and sub-departments under them may be enlarged to their full capacity of usefulness, and placed upon such a footing that they may forever be on the increase,

A Fourth Grand Gift Concert

For the benefit of the PUBLIC LIBRARY OF KENTUCKY is now announced to come off in Public Library Hall, at Louisville, Ky., on

Wednesday, Dec. 3, 1873.

At this Concert the best music that can be afforded by a grand Orchestral Band will entertain the audience, and the unprecedented sum of

ONE MILLION AND FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS

in currency, divided into 12,000 cash gifts, ranging from $250,000, the highest, down to $50, the lowest, will be distributed by lot among the ticket-holders.

LIST OF GIFTS.

ONE GRAND CASH GIFT		$250,000
ONE GRAND CASH GIFT		100,000
ONE GRAND CASH GIFT		50,000
ONE GRAND CASH GIFT		25,000
ONE GRAND CASH GIFT		17,500
10 Cash Gifts, $10,000 each		100,000
30 Cash Gifts, 5,000 each		150,000
50 Cash Gifts, 1,000 each		50,000
80 Cash Gifts, 500 each		40,000
100 Cash Gifts, 400 each		40,000
150 Cash Gifts, 300 each		45,000
250 Cash Gifts, 200 each		50,000
325 Cash Gifts, 100 each		32,500
11,000 Cash Gifts, 50 each		550,000
Total, 12,000 Gifts, ALL CASH, amounting to		$1,500,000

The entire number of tickets issued is only 60,000. Each ticket consists of ten fractional parts, or coupons, into which the whole ticket is divided by perforated lines, the horizontal division lines left for that purpose. The holder of a whole ticket is entitled to admission to the Concert, and to the whole of any gift it may draw. The holder of each fractional part, or coupon, is entitled to admission to the Concert and to one-tenth of the gift the whole ticket may draw.

PRICE OF TICKETS.

Whole Tickets, $50.00; Halves, $25.00; Tenths, or each Coupon, $5.00; Eleven Whole Tickets for $500.00; 22½ Tickets for $1,000.00; 112 Whole Tickets for $5,000.00; 227 Whole Tickets for $10,000.00.

In a cause of such philanthropy as the establishing and endowing of a great Library and Museum, with kindred departments, to be perpetual, free, and unsectarian, and when the chances of those who buy the tickets are so great for the money, while they take so little risk, it is believed that every ticket will be sold before the day fixed for the Concert and Distribution; but whether all are sold or not the drawing will nevertheless take place. Should any tickets remain unsold on the day of drawing they will be destroyed, and all the offered gifts, 12,000 in number, will be drawn, but diminished in value in proportion to the amount of unsold tickets. For example, if only half of the tickets are sold, the other half will be destroyed and the gifts reduced, not in number, but in value one-half. The capital gift in that event would be $100,000, instead of $200,000, and all the other gifts in the same proportion. All will see that this would be perfectly fair, because the chances of drawing gifts would be increased in favor of the ticket-holders, just in proportion to the reduction in their value. If all the tickets are sold the chances for the gifts are as 1 to 5, but if only half are sold, and the other half destroyed, the chances to the ticket-holder become as 1 to 2½ only.

Safe Keeping of the Money.

The FARMERS' AND DROVERS' BANK OF LOUISVILLE IS TREASURER, and all moneys arising from the sale of tickets will be placed there to remain as a special deposit until the Concert is over and all the gifts duly provided for, and then subject only to the joint-check of the Treasurer of the Board of Managers of the Concert, and the President and Treasurer of the Public Library. The management is not dependent upon the sale of tickets to furnish a mode of paying the gifts, but is amply provided with funds now on deposit in the Farmers' and Drovers' Bank for that purpose. The entire proceeds of the sale of tickets will stand untouched in Bank as a guarantee for the payment of all the offered gifts.

PAYMENT OF GIFTS.

The paying of gifts will begin the 3d day after the drawing, and continue six months thereafter and no longer. Tickets entitled to gifts must be presented or sent to Room No. 4, Public Library Building, Louisville, Ky., where they will be taken up and paid by Cash Checks on the Farmers' and Drovers' Bank of Louisville, or by sight drafts upon the Fourth National Bank of New York, payment rates of exchange, at the option of the holder. All gifts will be paid without delivery of the ticket entitled to it, and all gifts not called for within six months from the drawing will be turned over to the Public Library Fund.

The Trustees have secured the services of Hon. THOS. E. BRAMLETTE, late Governor of Kentucky, to act as Agent in the financial affairs of this Grand Gift Concert. Gov. Bramlette is known to almost every one in the State, and to very many of the citizens of other States in the Union, and no fear is entertained to see that the money arising from the sale of tickets is deposited in the Farmers' and Drovers' Bank, to remain for the payment of the offered gifts, and also to see that the drawing is properly conducted and the gifts justly awarded and promptly paid.

The drawing will be published in Louisville and New York papers, and official copies, printed in circular form, will be sent by mail to some one of the cities where have ordered tickets by letter, and to every ticket-holder whose address is known. All communications connected with the Concert, and orders for tickets, and applications of Agents to sell tickets, should be addressed to

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MEETINGS.

Attention, Sir Knights.

Chicago Commandery, No. 19, K. T.—Special Conclave Monday evening, Nov. 24, at 7½ o'clock, for drill. A full attendance is requested. Visiting Sir Knights courteously invited. By order of the E. C.

GEO. F. SINCLAIR, Recorder.

Masonic.

Special meeting Chicago Lodge, No. 437, A. F. & A. M., Tuesday evening, 25th inst., at 7½ o'clock, at Original Hall, on LaSalle-st. Work on E. A. Degree. Members will attend. Visitors cordially invited. By order of W. M.

SAM SEELEMAN, Sec.

Masonic.

La Fayette Chapter, No. 2, R. A. M. Hall No. 122 LaSalle-st. Regular convocation this Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock for business and work on the M. M. Degree. By order of the H. P.

E. N. TUCKER, Sec'y.

Masonic.

Corinthian Chapter, No. 69, R. A. M.—Regular convocation Monday evening, Nov. 24. Work on the R. A. Degree.

J. O. DICKERSON, Sec.

I. O. O. F.

Chicago Lodge, No. 9, I. O. O. F., will hold a Rebecca Degree meeting and a Sociable in the Lodge Room, corner of Halsted and Madison-sts., Monday evening, 24th inst. Brothers of the Order and their wives are respectfully invited.

CHAS. E. BOWER, Sec'y.

I. O. O. F.

The members of Silver Link Lodge, No. 321, are requested to be present at their regular meeting, as there is important business before the lodge.

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Secretary Fish Reports a Better Feeling in Madrid.

Sixteen British Subjects Among the Santiago Victims.

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Indignation Meetings Held in Various Parts of the Country.

IN MADRID.

GEN. SICKLES AND THE SPANISH MINISTERS.

LONDON, Nov. 23.—Dispatches from Madrid agree in representing that the late interviews between Minister Sickles and the Spanish authorities were of a stormy character. Mr. Sickles barely escaped mobbing by the crowd which congregated in front of his residence. In consequence of these demonstrations, he determined to leave Madrid, but the Government having dispersed the mob, and having since maintained peace, he is resolved to remain in the city.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—A Washington special says: "An official dispatch to Secretary Fish, received at 12 o'clock last night, says that a second attempt was made to assassinate Minister Sickles, and that 1,000 troops now guard the American Legation at Madrid."

CUBAN NEWS.

SIXTEEN BRITISH SUBJECTS SHOT.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—*El Cronista*, the Spanish organ in this city, contains a variety of fresh correspondence from Cuba. From this it appears that sixteen men captured on the Virginius who claimed to be British subjects, and who sought the protection of the British Vice Consul, which Burriel refused to acknowledge, were not neglected by the British authorities at Kingston, Jamaica. After the British Consul found his efforts in vain, the British Commodore at Jamaica took the matter in hand and telegraphed to the Governor of Santiago de Cuba, in the following words:

"In the interests of the friendly relations existing between our respective governments, I beg you to delay the execution of the alleged English subjects captured on the Virginius, until the Captain of the British frigate Niobe can communicate with you. The Niobe leaves to-day for Santiago."

To this request Burriel replied by telegraph, "I do not possess the authority to accede to the petition you send me. The law must be fulfilled."

The men who claimed to be British subjects were executed without allowing any time for investigation as to the truth or falsity of their claims.

THE CUBAN FEVER.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—A telegram from Havana, on the 21st, gives the following from the *Diario*: "We do not consider it within the bounds of justice or reason that war should result from the capture of the Virginius and its legal consequence; but if a conflict comes, let us emulate the example of Carthage, Numancia, and Saguntum, and make the Spanish race in Cuba the administration of the American Hemisphere." The *Voz de Cuba* believes that the question will be settled by diplomacy; nevertheless, it praises the activity of the artillery and engineer corps in repairing the fortifications, which will in a short time be in perfect condition.

IN WASHINGTON.

NO ADVICES FROM MADRID.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 22.—Nothing new in the Virginius case has developed to-day, save that a dispatch from London appears in the afternoon paper confirming, in some particulars, the *Herald's* Madrid dispatch of a few days since, which was so generally discredited. This, however, has added but little to the fast-waning excitement on the question. Various rumors are afloat having reference chiefly to the treatment received by Gen. Sickles, to dangers that threaten him and the combinations that are formed against him, but all these are handled lightly about as not worthy of credence.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE GROWS MORE RETICENT DAILY

his only organ being the *National Republican*, which closely reflects the Administration views every morning, and which receives all the information that the Secretary deems it wise to give out. He has announced to-day that he has received advices going to show

A BETTER STATE OF FEELING

among the mass of the people in Spain, and that beyond this he has nothing new on the subject. There is no reason to believe that anything new will be developed until the time asked by the Spanish Government in which to make their reply has expired, and it seems to be agreed on all hands that it is best to

WAIT FOR SOMETHING DECISIVE

without further complicating matters by acting upon imperfect information. The President and Secretaries Robeson and Belknap seem to be perfectly satisfied with the condition of the army and navy, and are confident that our coast defenses will be found sufficient in any emergency. The Secretary of War has been making preparations in a quiet but energetic way, getting the arsenals in shape for active service and

COMPLETELY ARMING OUR FORTIFICATIONS

for coast defenses. It is announced that the Ordnance Department is prepared on very short notice to fully equip a force of 50,000 men that will be found necessary with breech-loaders, artillery of all sorts, and ammunition in abundance.

PARTY FEELING.

As nearly as party lines can be defined on the question, it would appear that the Democrats are, as a party, for war, while the majority of the Republicans are more conservative. There is no division among the Southern Democrats as to the propriety of going to war forthwith. They declare that the South alone will furnish all the soldiers necessary to overthrow the Spanish armies at the first call from the President, adding that 50,000 American can easily whip the 84,000 Spanish soldiers now in Cuba.

Secretaries Belknap and Robeson are still in receipt of letters from distinguished soldiers and sailors of the late war offering their services in the event of a war.

It is definitely ascertained that

RYAN HAD MADE A CONTRACT

with the Cuban insurgents by the terms of which he was to receive $20,000 in gold if he succeeded in landing his men and arms on Cuban shores.

Secretary Richardson has taken occasion again to-day to assure the country that the

TREASURY DEPARTMENT WILL BE FOUND READY

when called upon to furnish money to carry on a war. Senator Sherman, Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, had an interview with the Secretary to-day, in which they discussed the financial situation with special reference to the Spanish difficulty.

[*To the Associated Press.*]

OUR COAST DEFENSES.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The Chief of the Engineer Corps has ordered the officers in charge of the coast harbors to put them in proper defense, and torpedoes, with necessary electrical cable instruments, tackle, etc., to be planted along the coast.

THE NAVY YARDS.

The Navy Department has been informed by the Commandant of the New London Station that on the night of the 20th two men, representing themselves to be naval engineers, tried to force their way on board the Dictator, and when resisted by the watchman fired at him. They then made their escape.

PREPARATIONS FOR WAR.

Preparations have been quietly going on, under the direction of the Secretary of War, placing our arsenals in a condition to supply the wants of an army in the field, in case of war, and looking to the condition of the armament of our fortifications for the successful defense of our harbors against hostile attacks by ironclads. The Ordnance Department of the army is at this moment in most active preparation for a state of war, and is ready to supply an army with an entire equipment of war material, including the most approved breech-loading arms and field and siege batteries of artillery, with every kind of ammunition. The telegraph has been vigorously urging forward every preparation. The ordnance officers are fully alive to the gravity of the occasion, and to the necessity for ample preparation to meet all demands, should war result from our present complications. While, from the nature of the case, the navy had to take an active initiative, the War Department is fully alive to the crisis and in quiet preparation for the future.

THE NAVY YARDS.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

AT PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Nov. 22.—Considerable activity is observable in every department of the navy yard. The monitor Manhattan was unable to start last night, as the necessity of repairs of some of her machinery was found at the last moment. She sails to-night for Key West. The navy steam yacht America has been purchased in New York by the Navy Department, and will be here to-morrow to receive guns and ammunition. She will be used as a dispatch boat, as she is one of the fleetest vessels in the world. All hands will work to-morrow, the same as last Sunday.

AT THE WASHINGTON YARD.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 22.—The steam-tug Rescue left Washington to-day at noon, with 150 barrels of powder. The steamer Fortune has had her torpedo spar taken out, and will be launched on Monday. An extra force is engaged, and extra time made on the Shawmut. The work of recruiting is rather slow, but it is probable all the men needed will be speedily obtained.

Rear-Admiral Joseph Smith, founder of monitor-flotilla in the late rebellion, is lying very ill at his residence.

A number of officers were to-day assigned to the vessels which are now fitting out for sea.

THE BROOKLYN YARD.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Strangers visiting the Navy-Yard are not allowed on board the Spanish ship Arapides. Nearly 3,000 men are working in the yard, and the number is being increased daily.

AT CHARLESTOWN.

BOSTON, Nov. 22.—Work in the Charlestown Navy-Yard is going on briskly, and all the men whom it is possible to utilize are employed. The Franklin will be ready for sea in two weeks, and the Brooklyn is rapidly being put in order. Visitors are excluded from the yards so that the workmen may not be interfered with.

AT PORTSMOUTH.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Nov. 22.—The United States steamer Mayflower is ordered to Norfolk.

PUBLIC SENTIMENT.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MILWAUKEE VETERANS ON HAND.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 22.—The officers of the First Regiment Wisconsin militia met last night and telegraphed to Gov. Washburn to-day, tendering their services, offering to put 1,000 men in the field in six days' notice.

THE CINCINNATI BOARD OF TRADE.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 22.—The following preamble and resolution was passed unanimously by the Board of Trade to-day:

WHEREAS, The barbarous treatment of persons lately captured on the coasts of Cuba by the Spaniards having caused a wide spread feeling of indignation throughout the United States, calling for some action on the part of the Government, and hoping that the principle of arbitration under which our nation settled all difficulties with England may be safely invoked; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend the national authorities to rely upon peaceable arbitration for the settlement of the difficulties, and that, while we denounce the atrocities of the local authorities of Cuba, we sympathize with those who are struggling to establish a Republican form of government in Spain.

AT SALT LAKE.

SALT LAKE, Nov. 22.—But one sentiment prevails regarding the Virginius atrocity—ample reparation or war. A meeting last night concluded with a resolution that when the Administration finds it necessary to declare war to vindicate the honor of the nation the people of Utah, without distinction of party, will rally to the support of the Government. Public feeling was high to-day to avenge the insult to the flag and free Cuba.

AT DUVALL'S BLUFF.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Nov. 22.—The citizens of Duvall's Bluff held a meeting on Wednesday, and adopted resolutions tendering a regiment of 1,000 men, armed, and equipped for service in behalf of the Republic of Cuba. The citizens of Little Rock have a meeting on Tuesday night, to express their indignation at the Cuban butchery.

AT COLUMBUS, GA.

COLUMBUS, Ga., Nov. 22.—A large public meeting was held here to-night to express indignation at the conduct of the Spanish authorities. There was an intense enthusiasm, and bitter resolutions were adopted.

IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Nov. 22.—The Cuban Patriotic Association met to-night, and protested against the enlistment of men for Cuban expeditions, or any other act likely to violate the laws of the United States, and appointed a committee to make such disposition of a large lot of land given the Association as would enure to its best advantage.

A SPANISH SLAUGHTER-HOUSE.

SCENE OF THE EXECUTIONS AT SANTIAGO DE CUBA—CLUMSY WORK ENJOYED BY A BRUTAL AUDIENCE.

From the New York Tribune, Nov. 21.

A gentleman arrived in this city yesterday whose long residence on the Island of Cuba has made him very familiar with its topographical aspect, as well as with the manners and customs of its inhabitants. For many months he has resided at Santiago de Cuba, and on more than one occasion he has witnessed the vengeance of the Spaniards at that place. His information concerning the manner in which the executions are conducted is of peculiar interest at the present time. The City of Santiago is on the southern side of a gently sloping hill. A narrow harbor is strongly guarded at its entrance, and after a zig-zag course opens into a commodious basin, where the vessels may lie at anchor. On the shore the city is situated. From the harbor the calle del Theatro leads into the centre of the city. At a distance of several hundred yards from the harbor is the prison where the captives are confined. It is a long, gloomy-looking structure, only two stories in height, and is built of stone or granite. From this place the prisoner often goes forth to execution. These executions always take place in the slaughter-house, about three-fourths of a mile distant. It was there that the Virginius patriots ended their lives. From the prison near the centre of the city the calle de Theatro makes a somewhat sudden curve. On the morning of an execution, the battalion of Volunteers are summoned at an early hour from the barracks and proceed to the prison. The prisoners are led forth, bound, and the solemn procession then takes up its death march. In the van are the musicians, whose only instruments are the drums, which are beat with a low, ominous sound, and measured regularity. The street leads out of the city toward the west, past the Hotel Theatre, the office of the United States Consul, and, further on, the office of the British Consul. Out into the suburbs runs the broad, unshaded street, and, on an eminence, which may be seen from every portion of the city, stands the building where the victims die. It is a low, whitewashed structure of forbidding aspect—an adobe house with a steep roof, which projects far beyond its walls on either side. Around this building is a trench, into which the waters from the roof fall. It is about two feet deep. On the upper story of this building the procession halts and forms a hollow square, with the prisoners in the centre. The side next the slaughter-house is opened, and the victims are led to the border of the trench. Here they are bound hand and foot, though their eyes are left uncovered. They are then required to kneel along the trench with faces turned toward the wall. In the midst of the hollow square stand the Colonel and the priests. The duties of the spiritual advisers being at length performed, they retire with the Colonel, and at a signal from the latter the company fires. The unfortunate victims fall forward into the trench, some dead, some dying, others only slightly wounded. The artillery force, who have been stationed in the background, now advance and drive their clumsy carriages over the victims. Several times is this part of the ceremony repeated, and it is by that time supposed that all are dead. The dead wagons are then heaped with corpses, among which is sometimes seen a still quivering body. A half mile away they are buried, and the soldiery disperse to their barracks.

The slaughter-house is scarred and battered with bullets on its northern side. Here are inhumanly slaughtered persons of all ages and sexes. The Spaniards show no mercy to gray-haired patriots, to women, or children. Three years ago a little girl 4 years of age was led forth to her death. The offense was a refusal to make known her father's hiding-place. The days of executions are days of joy in the city. Hundreds of men, women, and children

REAL ESTATE.

The Effects on First-Class Residences of the Diminished Cost of Building.

Recent Sales of Residences and Lots on the Avenues.

Reduction in Prices of Cheap Lots and Suburban Lands.

Sales of Lots and Acres in Various Quarters This Week.

There is an impression in some quarters that an important decline in the prices and values of first and medium-class residence property has been experienced as a result of the financial panic. A decline has undoubtedly taken place, but not to the extent believed by many, and not directly the result of any general declines in the value of real estate. The principal cause is the reduction in the cost of building materials and in the cost of skilled labor. Good brick can now be had for $7 per thousand, against $10 and $12 last spring, and contracts can now be made for brick laid in walls at $11 or even $10 per thousand for the entire cost of materials and labor. The reduction in the cost of materials and labor on other parts of buildings than the walls has not been so great, but, on the whole, the cost of building may safely be assumed at 25 per cent less than it was last spring. Here is reason for a large reduction in the prices of dwellings as compared to last spring, independent of any reduction in prices of ground. In some instances of recent sales of residences the reduction in prices has undoubtedly been greater than the reduction in the cost of building, but in every such case it will be found that there has been a necessity on the part of the seller to have *cash*, and that all sales made at any great reduction of prices have been for all cash instead of the usual terms. In times of panic and pressure, such as have been experienced during the last two months, a demand for all cash, in the sale of any property, which is usually sold on time, of course, demands an unusual reduction in price to make it an inducement to the buyer.

Ten days or so ago, two marble-front residences on Wabash avenue, north of Twenty-third street (Nos. 1018 and 1020), were sold at public auction by the assignee of a bankrupt, at what was considered the greatest reduction on former prices that has been experienced in any instance this fall. The houses are stone fronts, three stories, 10 or 12 rooms, and stand on lots 21 feet by 112 feet each. Real estate dealers think that from $12,500 to $13,000 each would have been fair prices for the houses before the panic, but when sold at auction for all cash they only brought about $9,000 each, a reduction of 30 per cent on the value of both buildings and ground. An important circumstance, however, in this connection is that the purchasers get no warranty of title. The sale was made by an order of Court in a summary proceeding, the assignee being directed to sell the property as *free and clear of all incumbrance*, though there is yet some doubt as to the power of the Court to order a sale which would cut off liens, without any previous proceeding at law to determine the rights of parties. There were judgments against the bankrupt that were liens on the property, and the judgment-creditors were not even served with notice. Moreover, the title to part of the property is in the bankrupt's daughter, and it is thought by some lawyers that proceedings at law should have preceded the sale, to determine the daughter's interest.

We mention the particulars of the above sale because many parties, having no knowledge of the fact that the sale conveyed no warranty title, have cited this sale as indicating a decline of somewhere near 30 per cent on the prices of all central, first-class residence property.

But while it is well understood that there are sales of this, as well as other classes of property from time to time, in which the necessities of the owners for cash oblige them to make great reductions in prices, these instances are not the rule, and do not establish the fact of any general reduction in prices. Real estate is not a kind of property that can be put on the market and sold at any time, like wheat, or corn, or iron, or dry goods, or any article that is consumed. The holder of real estate who expects to get its value, in any kind of times, must wait for his customer. When the customer who *wants* it comes, he generally pays the full price.

A couple of weeks ago, a handsome two-story and basement brick house, on the west side of Wabash avenue, south of Thirty-first street, with lot 25 by 175 feet, was sold for $10,500, this being just the price that was asked for it last summer.

One of the middle houses in the block of four, which stands on the northeast corner of Michigan avenue and Twenty-fifth street, a three-story and basement stone front, with lot 20 by 112 feet, was recently sold for $18,000, this being all the house was supposed to be worth last summer.

During the height of the recent financial panic, a lot 40x175, on the west side of Michigan avenue, being 97 feet north of Thirtieth street and next north of and adjoining the splendid new residence of E. H. Haddock, was sold for $300 per foot, all cash. Six years ago, property in all that vicinity on Michigan avenue sold for about $100 to $125 per foot, and a year ago for an average of $200 to $250 per foot. This does not look much like a decline of prices. The extension of the first-class residence quarter of the city southward on Michigan, Wabash, Prairie, and South Park avenues is, however, so rapid that there had been no financial disturbance in the price of ground on any of those avenues, and particularly on Michigan and Wabash, anywhere between Twenty-ninth and Fifty-first streets, would have advanced from 25 to 50 per cent this fall over the prices of last midsummer. The property in that quarter is, however, so nearly all owned by capitalists, who are not only able to hold it, but many of whom will take advantage of the present low cost of materials and labor to build on it, and during the next year the improvements in that direction will not only be greater than in any other quarter of the city, but much greater than in any previous year in the same direction.

THE OUTLOOK.

Real-estate brokers seem not unwilling to acknowledge that there has been a pretty general reduction in the prices at which all cheap lots and suburban lands are held now, as compared to six months ago. They regard the reduction of prices as unavoidable to a larger business, two or three months hence, at the usual season of greatest activity in real estate. During the year, up to the middle of last summer, prices had been advanced so rapidly, that it scared all but speculators out of the market, and created the impression that a reaction must come. The panic came, and, though it resulted in a diminished volume of business, and some decline in prices, the decline has not been, and is not likely to be, anything near as much as was apprehended by many old fogies and croakers. Experience is showing that the trade of Chicago has a recuperative character not possessed by that of any other city. The fact that the banks and business men of Chicago passed through the panic better than those of any other city in the United States is bringing us a large increase of business, of which an instance may be seen in the fact that the hog and pork-packing trade of this city is now nearly double what it was at this time last year. The panic has developed the real strength of Chicago, and given this city so great a start of all others in the West that they are not competitors to the same extent that they were a year ago. This fact will become more and more apparent as confidence revives and trade is re-organized. We think therefore that the expectation of an active business next February and March when money becomes abundant, as it undoubtedly will, is well founded.

ACRE SALES.

Gustin & Wallace sold 40 acres, being the S. ½ of the S. W. ¼ of Sec. 35, 41, 13, in Park Ridge; consideration, $18,000.

Larkin & Jenks sold 2¼ acres, being part of Block 122 in Blue Island; consideration, $3,200.

SALE OF LOTS.

Larkin and Jenks sold 8 lots on Kimball avenue, near Fullerton avenue, with improvements; consideration, $5,600.

T. S. Fitch & Co. sold Lots 6 and 20, in Block 3, in Hyde Park, located one minute's walk from Kenwood depot; consideration, $60 per foot, one-half cash down.

Spofford & Byrne sold 50 feet on Sixty-third street, near Wallace street; consideration, $40 per foot, cash.

Mr. Tibbetts sold one lot on Wentworth avenue, near Sixty-second street, in Englewood; consideration, $120 per foot.

B. F. Jacobs sold 100 feet on Drexel Boulevard, near Forty-ninth street; consideration, $125 per foot.

J. E. Burchell & Co. sold 150x200 feet in Ravinia, on the Milwaukee Railroad; consideration, $1,200.

B. F. Head sold 5 lots, each 25x125, in C. H. Harrison's Addition, 200 feet west of the P., C. & St. L. R. R. on Flournoy street; consideration, $4,200, which is $840 per lot.

Eldred & Simpson sold 100 feet, north front, on Barry avenue, near the Lake Shore Drive; consideration, $12,500.

Warren, Keeney & Co. sold Lots 23 and 24, each 50x160 feet, in Block 4, in Keeney & Rinn's addition to Evanston; consideration, $4,000—which is $40 per foot.

Also Lots 9 and 10 in Block 1, in Keeney's addition to Ravenswood; consideration, $2,500.

Henry Brooks sold 2 lots on Union street in South Englewood for $600.

Also 2 lots west of the railroad track in the same place; consideration, $350.

IMPROVEMENTS.

At South Evanston the Chicago & Northwestern Railway Company have just completed a side-track 1,600 feet in length. The citizens there are erecting a depot 22x50 feet, two stories high, the second story to be used as a public hall.

SOUTH EVANSTON.

Warren, Keeney & Co. have recently sold 3 two-story and brick cellar dwellings in Evanston, each containing 8 rooms, and being about 20x45 feet. The price paid for house and lot averaged $5,500. This is no reduction of prices whatever from the figures asked last spring, but on the contrary is an advance of $5 per front foot on the lots since last May. These sales were made within the last two weeks. The aggregate of their sales since the panic (in South Evanston) have exceeded $100,000, which may be considered a very good showing.

THE CHICAGO & INDIANA RAILROAD,

from Park Side Station on the Illinois Central, to South Chicago is completely graded from Park Side Station to within a mile-and-a-half of South Chicago. About 4,000 ties, enough to lay one-half of the whole distance, are on the ground; also the stringers to lay the same distance, and the first consignments of iron from Pittsburgh, sufficient to lay about one mile, and spikes and plates for the same. The recent cold weather and freeze-up may delay the putting down of the track this season, in which case the contractor and parties interested will be in readiness to put it down at the earliest moment in the spring. An elegant depot at the corner of Seventy-first street and Railroad avenue is now being erected, and will be completed by the first of February next. Thus it will be seen that this railroad is a fixed fact.

Meantime, the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company have again appeared upon the field, and have definitely selected this route from South Chicago into the city. The officers of that road are of the opinion that they will continue active operations during the winter, and will be in the city with their road early in the spring.

YESTERDAY'S TRANSFERS.

The following instruments were filed for record Saturday, Nov. 22:

CITY PROPERTY.

The premises No. 59 Union Park place, dated Oct. 18; consideration, $15,000.

West Twenty-sixth st, n e cor of Keddie av, 24 acres, dated Sept. 29; consideration, $65,000. John Brooks, of Cambridge, Mass., to Cook County Land Company.

Augusta st, 215 ft n of West Twelfth st, w f, 48x132½ ft, dated Nov. 4; consideration, $1,100.

Davis-av, 225 ft n of Hirsch st, w f, 25x126 ft, dated Nov. 22; consideration, $450.

Elston road, 54 6-10 ft s of Blanche st, e f, 273x100 ft, dated Oct. 14; consideration, $1,300.

Lexington st, 143 ft e of Sophia st, s f, 25x128 9-10 ft, dated Nov. 19; consideration, $1,800.

Orchard st, 229 ft n of Centre st, e f, 75½x124 ft, dated Oct. 3; consideration, $4,180.

West Madison st, 90 ft e of Lincoln st, s f, 30x124 ft, dated Nov. 1; consideration, $6,000.

Lots 1 to 3, in Block 2, Spear's Addition, dated July 30; consideration, $600.

Quitclaim, 1st blue island av and Silver st, n f, Lot 108, with building, dated July 19; consideration, $2,000.

Lots 23 and 24, Block 19, Sec. 7, 39, 14, dated Nov. 13; consideration, $1,100.

SOUTH OF CITY LIMITS.

Lot 7, in Kesler's Lots 27 to 35, in sub-Block 2 of Block 33, Sec 16, 38, 14, dated Nov. 1; consideration, $700.

Twenty-three lots and land ¼ of Block 5 of Goodspeed's part n e ¼ Sec 9, 38, 14, dated Oct. 22; consideration, $4,000.

Lot 1 in Block 1, same subdivision, dated Oct. 25; consideration, $700.

Lot 3 in Block 2, same, dated Oct. 25; consideration, $500.

Lot 15 in Block 1, same, dated Nov. 22; consideration, $900.

Lot 20, in Tillotson's part w of railroad, of Lot 11, in Sec 15, 38, 14, dated Sept. 1; consideration, $3,000.

Lots 17 and 18 in Block 11, in w ½ Sec 3, 38, 14, dated Nov. 17; consideration, $10,000.

SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK.

The following is the total amount of city and suburban property transferred during the week ending Saturday, Nov. 22: City property—Number of sales, 108; consideration, $468,927. North of city limits—Number of sales, 12; consideration, 4 sales, $360. South of city limits—Number of sales, 27; consideration, $93,557. West of city limits—Number of sales, 2; consideration, $1,500. Total sales, 149; total consideration, $676,834.

THE CHIEF-JUSTICESHIP.

Copy of the Petition Requesting the President to Appoint Judge Drummond Chief-Justice of the United States.

About ten days or two weeks ago, a petition was very privately and quietly circulated here among a few of the lawyers and prominent citizens, with a view of recommending Judge Drummond to the vacant seat of Chief-Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. The following is a copy:

To His Excellency the President of the United States:

The undersigned, business men of Chicago and members of the Chicago Bar, respectfully recommend the Hon. Thomas Drummond for the position of Chief-Justice of the United States.

Judge Drummond, as United States District and Circuit Judge, has devoted himself exclusively to the duties of the Bench since 1849, and, in our opinion, his long experience, sound judgment, eminent learning, and acknowledged purity of character render him especially fitted for this position.

Dec. 13, 1873.

The petition was signed by many prominent citizens, such as Field, Leiter & Co., J. V. Farwell & Co., W. F. Coolbaugh, and others, besides many of the prominent members of the Bar. To a man, it was the wish to sign it, and, since its dispatch for Washington, several learning of the existence of such a petition, have expressed their regret at not having an opportunity of signing their names. The well-known modesty and retiring character of Judge Drummond rendered it necessary that the movement should not know that such a movement was on foot, while his high reputation as a jurist, inherent qualifications as a Judge, and spotless character as a man, rendered any encomium or urging supernogatory, and recommendation almost unnecessary. Similar petitions were circulated in the Southern District of this State and in Indiana, and have been willingly signed. In Indiana, the signatures of the Governor, ex-Governor, and Federal and State officers were also gladly given.

THE SOCIETY BALL.

The grand ball at Kingsbury Music Hall tomorrow evening promises to be one of the most brilliant affairs since the fire, not excepting the military ball of last winter. The sale of tickets has been unexpectedly large, and it is almost impossible to find any one "in society" who is not going. The preparations are about completed, and, undoubtedly, the only persons disappointed after the ball will be those who did not attend. The special train on the Illinois Central Railroad will leave Hyde Park about 8 o'clock, and will return about 2 o'clock. The exact time of leaving the stations will be given to-morrow morning. The following will be the programme:

1. Promenade.....Offenbach
2. Waltz—Stories from the Vienna Forest.....Strauss
3. Lanciers.....Fourteenth Weingarten
4. New Life.....
5. Quadrille—Les Fleurs de la Gaule.....Strauss
6. {a. Polka Redowa—Mia.....
   {b. Waltz—Mein Lebenslauf.....Strauss
7. Quadrille—Prairie Queen.....Original
8. Galop—Equestrian.....Conradi
9. Quadrille—Season.....Strauss
10. Waltz—Autograph.....Strauss
11. Lanciers—Liederkranz.....Weingarten
12. Galop—Merry Circle.....Strauss
13. Quadrille—Prairie Queen.....Original
14. {a. Waltz—Vienna Bon Bons.....Strauss
    {b. Galop—Schnefel.....Weingarten
15. Quadrille—Lorelei.....Strauss
16. Waltz—Hofballtanze.....Strauss
17. Lanciers.....Eighteenth Weingarten
18. {a. Waltz—Wedding Melodies.....Strauss
    {b. Galop—Auf Jena.....Strauss

The overture will be played at 9 o'clock precisely, and the dancing commence immediately thereafter. Supper will be set for from 400 to 600 persons. The cards of admission can be procured from any of the ladies and gentlemen in the list above.

MONEY AND POLITICS.

Col. York's Ideas on "Wealth as a Political Power."

An Interesting Lecture by the "Kansas Reformer."

A System that Threatens to Overthrow the Liberties of the Nation.

Its Cause and Cure.

Last evening Music Hall was comfortably filled with one of the Star audiences, assembled to hear State Senator York, of Kansas, whose name has been made the watchword in that State for a reform movement. Mr. York is a typical Western man in appearance, being rather tall, spare in figure, of nervous temperament, with a bronzed face that shows an iron will, and a spirit of indomitable perseverance. He is of that kind of man who may be defeated but not conquered—he will always return to the fray until victory is won. This characteristic is shown in his great fight with the Pomeroy corruptionists; and after hearing the man speak the reason of their defeat is apparent—for while Col. York is not an orator, he is a fascinating speaker. His lecture last night was delivered in a clear, forcible manner, without any attempts at oratorical display, but in such an impressive style as to leave a deep and lasting impression on those who heard it.

Having presumed that he had selected a subject that was repugnant to the American mind, for the reason that the American people delight in their sovereignty, and are not willing to allow that power and dominion have any other basis in this country than in "We the people," he said that the recent events in our legislative history had disturbed this serene self-complacency, and had led the people to ask the question if there was not something wrong somewhere. In reply, various causes are assigned, numberless panaceas are offered, until the public mind finally concludes that it is all traceable to the corruption of public men. Then "Down with corruption!" is the cry. "Turn out these betrayers of the people, and put in honest men right from the ranks of the people." "Amen!" says everybody. It is done, and public serenity is restored, when suddenly the country is again thrown into convulsion by the most audacious and astounding corruption upon the part of these "honest fellows." This is repeated so often that it becomes the common fact of political life, and has raised the question, "Is there not a producing cause for this disturbance? If men are corrupted, is there not something which corrupts them?" It is manifest that some force exists that interferes with the claimed sovereignty of the people, defeating their objects, thwarting their will and wishes, and upon investigation it always is discovered that this force, if traced to its source through its effects, is found to be "organized wealth." The speaker, therefore, concluded that wealth, even in this country, is vested with political power.

The lecturer then proceeded to discuss the relation of wealth to our Government, availing himself of many historical precedents. Accepting the maxim of political economy, that the accumulation of wealth was the first great step in social improvement, because without it there would be neither taste nor leisure for the acquisition of knowledge, upon which the progress of civilization depended, he proceeded to show that next in importance to the accumulation of wealth was its distribution among the several members of society. Wealth is created by labor, and labor is only productive according to its skill. Its accumulation was the result of saving, and its distribution, when left free to follow natural laws, was according to the skill and economy of those who labored. As the first result of this saving, follows the saving class called capitalists. Then, by perfectly natural processes, the people become divided into classes—laborers and capitalists. In time, labor becomes, to a greater or less extent, dependent on capital, because wealth is accumulated first by the more self-denying, and the habits of thought thus engendered fit them to seize opportunities that would be lost to those less disciplined. As one of the most important functions of government is to protect those who possess property, this class soon take a more active interest in directing the actions of the government, and this gradually gives them the governing power, and by easy transitions the government falls into the hands of the wealthy. After discussing these general proportions at considerable length, the speaker went out of the political history of Europe the three great systems that have governed that continent since the middle ages.

The first was the Ecclesiasticism under which the authority was vested, directly or indirectly, in a spiritual hierarchy. The governing class amassed great wealth, and drew princely revenues from that source. The individual was nothing; the system everything. The second was the Feudal system, that substituted the authority of a landed aristocracy for that of the hierarchy, and, like the former, the governing class represented the wealth of Europe, with a like result in the effect on the people.

The third was the Commercial system; that took its rise in the seventeenth century, and in turn superseded Feudalism in the supremacy of Europe. This position he strengthened by quotations from the various historians, illustrating the effect of each system, and proceeded to show that the mania which prevailed during the eighteenth century to acquire vast colonial possessions was the result of this last system. Bancroft was quoted to prove that the demands of this commercial interest, and its overshadowing power in English politics, was what had precipitated the revolt of the English Colonies, and the consequent freedom of the American States from English rule. It was this same system which was remotely the cause of our late civil war, entailing, as it did, slavery upon the colonies.

He then proceeded to show how rapid was the development of this system, attaining a power already unknown to Ecclesiasticism or Feudalism. The system that is getting within its grasp all the nations of the world, like both those that preceded it, invests itself with special privileges and immunities, and absorbs the earnings of the people. "It cares nothing for the welfare of the man," said the speaker, "only so far as he is powerful as an instrument. It has no sympathy with the wants and sufferings of humanity. The only value it places on man is measured by his ability to labor. It professes no great moral principle. It aims to accomplish magical good in the world. Wealth, and wealth only, is its object."

All this, the lecturer agreed, was contrary to the basic idea of our Government, in which originally all class-distinctions were ignored. All political power was based on man's sovereignty. The accidents of birth, wealth, and rank were to be set aside. Man and man only was taken as the source of all dominion. So firmly were these principles of democracy implanted in the national heart, that, until the civil war arose, the simplicity of manner and frugality of the founders of the Republic were so far preserved as to resist successfully all the tendencies of wealth to centralization. In the exigencies of civil war, wealth assumed an importance that had never before been attached to it in the history of the country. The sinews of war must now be supplied, and the capital of the country alone could do it. From that date may be traced the rise of the moneyed power in the United States. Under its leadership the centralizing tendency has made rapid progress, until it has become so powerful as to seriously threaten the subversion of our democratic polity.

From these discussions of the general principles of the subject, the lecturer turned to apply his arguments specifically, and proceeded to show that the present political power exerted by wealth was rendered possible by its accumulation in the hands of a few men:

First, through the railroads controlling the transportation of the country. Second, banks, controlling the currency of the country. Third, the manufactures, supplying the necessary articles of consumption. Fourth, the public creditors. From the best data I have been able to obtain, the total number of these four classes does not represent more than one-thirtieth of the population, and they control more than one-half of the wealth of the country. The gross production of the country, from all sources, may be approximately estimated at from eight to ten billions of dollars annually. Of this aggregate, the four classes named receive at least two-thirds. The total net production is much more difficult to determine, but from the best information at my command, I think it may be approximately estimated at from one and one-half, to one and three-fourths billions of dollars annually; of which these four classes receive not less than nine-tenths. The net earnings of manufactories in 1870 was $968,000,000 as shown by the census. The net earnings of the railroads in 1872, as shown by Mr. Poor's Manual for 1873, was $156,000,000. These amounts, increased by the interest on the national and municipal indebtedness of the country, and the earnings of the banks, would swell the total to very nearly, or quite, one and one-half billions of dollars. The surplus earning is annually added to the principal and in time becomes productive, thereby continually augmenting the income of its possessors. This surplus is seeking investment, is placed where the demand is greatest and the returns most certain. Next to the increase of transportation and manufacturing facilities, it seeks the highly remunerative investment in mortgages upon real estate. So popular and general has this mode of investment become, that I think it may be safely stated, that in many of the Western States there is not an organized county, where values are sufficiently established to constitute a safe basis for loans, in which agents of Eastern capitalists are not engaged in loaning money to the farmers. The result is that the agricultural districts are heavily mortgaged, and there is a continuous and rapidly increasing flow of money from the West to the East in payment of the interest.

Another popular mode of investment is in the municipal indebtedness of the country. The amount of this class and of State indebtedness in 1870, as shown by the census, was $868,000,000, equal to one-third of the National debt. These, it will be observed, are sources of income derived from the employment of capital other than in the usual course of business, and the earnings received therefrom are to be added to the net earnings of the railroads, manufactories, banks, and interest upon the National debt. It is necessary to take in account, in this computation, our foreign indebtedness. A considerable amount of our National and municipal bonds are held in Europe, upon which the interest is sent abroad. But making the most liberal allowance therefor, and also for such as may be held by our people, other than the four classes named, it still leaves immense returns to American capitalists, in which the people have no participation. In the foregoing estimates I have confined myself to official or well authenticated private statistical reports; and, in every instance, I have kept within, rather than exceeded, what the facts would justify. The next question that naturally presents itself in this inquiry is, "Who pays the immense revenues received by those capitalists?" and I would answer, mainly, three classes; agriculturalists, employees in manufactories, and those engaged in professional and personal pursuits. These three classes represent five-sixths of the entire population of the country.

In the light of the ninth census it ceases to be an occasion for surprise that, while wealth has been amassed by the railroads, banks, and manufacturers, agriculture, during the past twelve years, has been almost at a standstill, its increase being a trifle more than the increase in population during the same period. When an investment of over $11,000,000, and the labor of 6,000,000 of persons return the gross product of only $2,500,000,000, upon which nearly one-half of the entire population of the United States have to subsist, besides paying the heavy exaction that was laid upon them by the monopolies, it is no longer a matter of astonishment that the average farmer is compelled to increase the incumbrance upon his farm from year to year. If the present state of agriculture continues for another decade, it is problematical which will be in the worst condition, the European peasant, or the American farmer. The second class, the employes in manufactories, represent about one-sixth of the entire population. The average wages received is $277, which gives for each person represented one-fourth as the return for labor only, without the use of any capital, and is not subject to the expense incurred by the farmer; and yet, is nearly equal to the average gross productions of the latter. As consumers, they contribute to the income of the railroads and manufactories.

The third class in this connection, those engaged in professional and personal pursuits, represent more than one-fifth of the population. This class includes the regular professions, artists, authors, domestic servants, day-laborers, hotel-keepers, soldiers, sailors, Government officials, teachers, &c. While occasionally one of this class succeeds in acquiring wealth, the vast majority procure a most precarious maintenance. Yet the earnings of this class, like those of the farmers and employes, go to swell the accumulations of the capitalists in much the same manner as, and in proportion with, the others. If my statements thus far are correct, we are driven to the inevitable conclusion that the people are not receiving, or are receiving a bare maintenance in return for their labor and investments, and a few individuals are absorbing the great bulk of the net earnings of the country.

Upon no system of logic can this alarming disproportion in the accumulation of wealth be attributed to the necessary laws of business. Reference to the history of other nations fails to afford a single instance of the accumulation of so great wealth in the hands of a few individuals as that furnished by the history of the United States during the past few years. The establishment of a predominantly wealthy class is ordinarily a slow process, extending through many generations, and often centuries, of national growth. But here, within a single decade, we see the earnings of a great nation flowing into the coffers of a class of capitalists that rival the titled nobility of Europe in the extent of their revenues. Extraordinary causes must exist to produce such abnormal results. They are found in the laws of the country and the policy of the Government, extending aid and protection to capital.

Proceeding with his argument, the lecturer showed how, first, wealth sought to, and to a certain extent did, control the action of political parties through their organizations; second, how it sought to shape public opinion through its influence upon the public press; third, how it secured incalculable political power by securing the appointment of its agents to Federal positions and the chairmanships of certain Congressional Committees; how it attempted to control elections at the polls; and, finally, how it was used to corrupt the representatives of the people. Under the last point the lecturer said:

The history of legislation during the past few years is a sufficient demonstration of this proposition. To descend to details would be to repeat what the public are already familiar with, and to review the most disgusting and humiliating feature of our history. Practices that came under my own personal observation at the Capital of my State last winter led me to investigate the nature and extent of the money-power in the politics of the country. As already indicated, it is not my purpose to attempt a detailed statement of those practices. I would only say that in that contest the people were represented by all the railroads in the State excepting one; by nearly all the National Banks, and all the Federal officials, with a few noble exceptions. The various interests opposing the people probably represented two-thirds of the wealth of the State, and of the investment in agriculture. The amount of money expended to defeat the will of the people from the opening of the fall campaign to the finale at Washington City was fully equal to $100,000. I am not willing to comprehend the real nature of that contest, when we suppose it was in the interest of one man and his personal friends that this outlay was made. It was important to certain political and financial interests that Mr. Pomeroy should be returned to the Senate. He was a representative man of the politico-moneyed power. He was familiar with the past history of this power, and was a friend for the future. That knowledge made him a dangerous man to lose and a valuable man to retain.

He also cited the language of Jones, the Senator from Nevada, who said that "Custom has sanctioned the use of money, and both parties resorted to its use; those who survive gain against me are equally open to the same charge. Such sum ply decry the inevitable."

The lecturer continued at some length discussing this part of the subject, and finally said that the question would be asked him, "Where is the remedy?" On this point he said:

In my own opinion there are two things that need to be done, and done quickly. The first, is for the Government to undo its mischievous legislation, aiding and protecting capital, and leave the distribution of wealth to follow natural laws, free from Government interference. The American people do not require the protection of the Government in any of their industrial interests. Protection disturbs trade, establishes monopolies, and interferes with the ordinary laws that govern the production and distribution of wealth. It diminishes the product of labor and directs capital into channels, into which, if left free, it would not go. It forces manufactories that would not otherwise exist, and thus the normal condition of the country would not justify. It tends to build up a privileged class, and in any country it is dangerous. It is centralization. In the second place, I believe that the doctrine of "vested rights," as it has been interpreted in this country in its application to the great corporations, is utterly at variance with the true spirit of our civil polity; that under the shelter of this doctrine the morality and power of chartered corporations have legally usurped the people's rights and passed beyond their control by recognised legal measures. I do not care to attempt a discussion of this doctrine in its legal aspects, whether the interpretation that has obtained in most of our American courts be technically a correct construction of the provision of the Constitution of the United States concerning the inviolability of contracts; or whether the charter of a railroad by a State Legislature is in the nature of a contract; whether railroads are public or private corporations, and to what extent they are subject to legislative control. Regardless of what may be the correct conclusion upon any of these or kindred questions, underlying all, is the foundation principle that there can be no such thing as individual or corporate rights, privileges, or immunities, whether under the color of law or otherwise, that tend to the abridgment of the political rights of the people, or that are oppressive to the general industrial interests of the country. Aggressions upon the rights of any people are nearly always made under the color of law, and there is no tyranny more despotic than that secured by unjust and oppressive legislation. The encroachment of the money-power has been made by the aid of law. Slavery attempted to protect itself under the same shield, and it was only by means of what we call the "war power of the constitution" that we were enabled to break through the defenses it had set up. If this power exist, why must it remain latent until the cruel exigency of war calls it forth? Why not exercise it to preserve the liberties of the people as well as after the armies are in motion? Apply this power to the railroads, or any great and powerful corporation, combination, class, or system that has passed beyond control by legal measures and that threaten the public safety by absorbing the political interests of the people, or by oppressing the industrial rights of the country or by any other means, and they become the humble, faithful servants, instead as now, the masters of the people. Instead of being the exercise of an arbitrary power to deprive a corporation of its franchises under such circumstances, hold it to be an inherent right, and by an act, even of the people themselves, can take away. I also hold that this power resides in the State Legislature that originally created the corporation. Not only this, but under the "power of eminent domain" inherent in all Governments, if the general industrial interests demand it, not only deprive them of their franchises, but take the control and management of their property and pay a reasonable compensation therefor. Let these be properly recognized principles and corporations will not forget from whom they derive their privileges, and will be as careful to observe the general interest, as they are now regardless of the rights of the people. This brings me back to the grand doctrine that man is the sole repository of political power. That no class, system, policy, government, or even law, can take man's place in authority without becoming man's oppressor.

He concluded by showing the results of the system if continued in the country, and summed up his conviction that in the present agitation of the question was to be found the best promise for the future of the country. By it we may know that the people are yet vigilant to guard their rights, and redress their wrongs. With public opinion thus sensitive we need fear no evil, or recede before the advance of any power.

The speaker was loudly applauded by the audience he had held closely throughout his whole lecture.

THE GAS QUESTION.

Reports of the City Gas Inspector.

Mr. Colbert's Tables for Time of Lighting and Extinguishing Street-Lamps.

In reply to questions propounded by a TRIBUNE reporter, Mr. Brown, Gas-Inspector, says that he makes a quarterly report to the Common Council on the first Monday of May, August, November, and February. He takes photometrical observations twice a week. The contract between the city and the Gas Company expires in 1879. In it there is no stipulation as to either the pressure or quality of the gas. In cities where stipulation as to quality is part of contract the illuminating power is fixed at from twelve to twenty candle-power. The illuminating power of Chicago gas is a mean between these figures. Mr. Brown is not responsible for the quality of the gas. He only makes suggestions. His last report was received by the Common Council, but was not printed in the official report of the Common Council proceedings. It is as follows:

REPORT.

To the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Chicago, in Common Council assembled:

In compliance with Section 14 of the Gas ordinance, passed May 27, 1872, I now report that the gauge meters and burners on the city lost lamps have been carefully tested during the quarter year ending the 10th day of November, 1873, and proved correct; the burners consuming five cubic feet of gas each per hour, under a pressure of two inches, as required per contract with the gas companies. The public lamps are in general good condition, though some in the South and West Divisions of the city, from age and long use require continual repair, and are then hardly able to contend against a moderate breeze from the lake or prairie. I am informed that there is no provision made for replacing such lamps, and they are therefore patched up from week to week, so long as a piece will hold on. The street lamp burners are renewed whenever found defective. The total number of street and bridge lamps in the city on Nov. 1, 1873, was 7,344, distributed as follows:

In North Division	1,638
In South Division	2,248
In West Division	3,458

In some populous portions of the city where light is called for after midnight, and it seems impracticable to supply gas-light at present, a partial remedy might be found in the erection of lamp-posts fitted with oil-lamps, in anticipation of the extension of gas-mains, as is done in the Eastern cities. Photometrical observations have been made by me from time to time as required by the ordinance, showing the illuminating quality of the gas at the City Hall to have been 14 to 17 candle-power. The private meters tested by me since my last report are as follows, viz.: Oct. 13, 1873, for Mr. Pringle, No. 471 Clark street; Oct. 29, for H. E. Pickett, No. 796 Michigan avenue; Nov. 6, for John Gov, 164 Indiana street—each one of which a fee of $1 was received from the applicant and paid to the City Comptroller. The expense of removal and resetting ($1.50 in each meter) was also paid by the applicants. Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD BROWN,
CHICAGO, Nov. 10, 1873. Acting Gas Inspector.

GAS-LIGHT, TWILIGHT, AND MOONLIGHT.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: It was stated, in December last, by the city authorities, to prepare a table of times for lighting and extinguishing the street lamps in Chicago. As the official publication, made some months ago, was a table which I had not intended to be printed, but simply handed in as a memorandum of information on the subject, and as there seems to be a disposition to consider the really short and economical tables which I *did* intend to be published, and handed in for that purpose, I hereby submit them to THE TRIBUNE, with a few explanatory notes, for the information of the public, who have to pay the gas bills.

PUBLIC LAMPS.

Time-table for commencing to light and extinguish, in the City of Chicago, in any year:

RULE.—Take the date in this table that is nearest to the Thursday of each week, and commence to light and extinguish on each day of that week at the times given as opposite the date, except the days near the full moon:

Date.	*Light.*	*Extinguish.*	*Date.*	*Light.*	*Extinguish.*
Jan. 1	5.00	6.00	July 14	8.30	2.45
Jan. 15	5.00	6.00	Aug. 4	7.45	3.00
Jan. 25	5.15	5.45	Aug. 14	7.30	3.15
Feb. 8	5.30	5.30	Aug. 28	7.15	3.30
Feb. 20	5.30	5.15	Sept. 12	7.00	3.45
Feb. 28	5.00	5.00	Sept. 9	6.45	3.45
Mar. 8	6.15	4.45	Sept. 16	6.30	4.00
Mar. 18	6.30	4.30	Sept. 24	6.15	4.15
Mar. 24	6.30	4.15	Oct. 1	6.00	4.15
Apr. 1	6.45	4.00	Oct. 9	5.45	4.30
Apr. 9	7.00	3.45	Oct. 18	5.30	4.45
Apr. 17	7.15	3.30	Oct. 27	5.15	5.00
Apr. 26	7.30	3.15	Nov. 7	5.00	5.15
May 5	7.30	3.00	Nov. 12	4.45	5.30
May 17	7.45	2.45	Dec. 4	4.30	5.45
June 1	8.00	2.30	Dec. 21	4.30	6.00
June 21	8.15	2.30	Jan. 1	4.45	6.00

The above table, constructed only with reference to the sun, is calculated on the supposition that each boat occupies one hour. It gives the following:

TABLE

of nights near the full moon; on which the public lamps of the City of Chicago need not be lighted from April, 1873, to April, 1874:

Date.	*Full moon.*	*No lighting.*
April 12,	4:09 p. m.	April 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13.
May 12,	6:30 a. m.	May 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13.
June 10,	4:00 p. m.	June 7, 8, 9, 10, 11.
July 10,	6:30 a. m.	July 8, 9, 10, 11.
Aug. 8,	8:00 a. m.	Aug. 7, 8, 9, 10.
Sept. 6,	3:30 p. m.	Sept. 6, 7, 8.
Oct. 5,	11:30 p. m.	Oct. 4, 5, 6, 7.
Nov. 4	10:00 a. m.	Nov. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.
Dec. 3,	10:30 p. m.	Dec. 2, 3, 4, 5.
Jan. 2,	1:30 p. m.	Dec. 30, 31; Jan. 1, 2, 3.
Feb. 1,	8:30 a. m.	Jan. 29, 30, 31; Feb. 1, 2.
March 2,	11:30 p. m.	Feb. 28, 29, 30; Mar. 1, 2, 3.
April 1,	9:30 p. m.	Mar. 28, 29, 30, 31; Apr. 1, 2.
May 1,	10:30 a. m.	Apr. 27, 28, 29, 30; May 1, 2.

Opinions vary as to the value of moon-light in a city. My own opinion is that in the business portions, where the buildings are high, the moonlight is of so little account that it ought to be disregarded. But in the much larger area outside that business portion, gas could be very well dispensed with on moonlit nights; which would be a still further saving to the tax-payers.

E. COLBERT.

OPENING STREETS.

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: I noticed in to-day's TRIBUNE an article on "The New Streets in Boston," showing what has been done since the great fire there in the way of opening and extending streets. Great credit is due to the enterprise of the Bostonians in this matter. Our great fire occurred thirteen months earlier than the Boston fire; but, unfortunately, at that time, in consequence of the adoption of the new State Constitution, we had no laws whereby we could open streets. The new laws which were necessary came into force on the 1st day of July, 1873, some four months before the Boston fire. Notwithstanding this, what have we done in the way of opening or extending streets? Simply nothing. Property-owners on Third and Fourth avenues have been delayed in improving their property

WANTED--MALE HELP.

Bookkeepers, Clerks, Etc.

WANTED--A GOOD MAN TO WORK IN A STORE, who can loan his employer $1,000 on good real estate security. Address P 53, Tribune office.

WANTED--A GOOD IRISH SALESMAN (MUST BE a trimmer) at S. Klein's dry goods store, 404 Centre-av. Applicants must call this morning.

WANTED--AN EXPERIENCED DRY GOODS entry clerk. Apply Monday morning at 104 Michigan-av. MONTGOMERY, WARD & CO.

WANTED--A YOUNG MAN AS ASSISTANT bookkeeper. Address, in own hand-write, with reference and desired salary, U 35, Tribune office.

WANTED--AN ASSISTANT BOOKKEEPER IN A wholesale house. Address with reference, A 89, Tribune office.

WANTED--A MAN AS CLERK IN REAL ESTATE office, who can loan his employer $400 on A No. 1 security. Address U 37, Tribune office.

Trades.

WANTED--MEN TO DO CARPENTER, MASON, and paint work on houses, and take house and lot, or lot in payment; also MAN to do 300 yards plastering, two-coat work, for $35 each, 17 miles from city. Call at 99 East Madison-st., not before 10 a. m.

WANTED -- UPHOLSTERER, ONE THAT CAN make mattresses and work on parlor sets; wages, good pay and steady work. Call on or address E. C. CHAPLIN, butcher, South Evanston.

WANTED--A MAN THAT UNDERSTANDS TURNing and scroll-sawing; permanent employment to the right man. Apply 121 North Wolf-st.

WANTED -- A FEW FIRST-CLASS CABINETmakers. Office 23 South Union-st. J. A. WAIT & CO.

WANTED--AT 244 WEST LAKE-ST., A GOOD shoemaker.

WANTED--2 GOOD COATMAKERS; TERMS LIBeral to steady men. Apply immediately at 668 Archer-av.

WANTED -- A THOROUGHLY-COMPETENT book-folder, to take charge of a bindery. Apply at 220 to RAND, MCNALLY & CO.

WANTED--A GOOD PRINTER WHO CAN LOAN his employer $100 for one year on first-class security; steady situation. Address P 18, Tribune office.

WANTED--FIRST-CLASS WOOD-CARVER, AT 257 West Randolph-st. F. BRICKENBERG.

WANTED--A YOUNG MAN TO WORK IN PHOTOgraph gallery; must have some experience in printing. A. WALL, 217 West Madison-st.

WANTED--A FOREMAN OR PARTNER IN A furniture manufactory who has some trade established or specialty to manufacture. Address with full particulars, P 85, Tribune office.

Coachmen, Teamsters, &c.

WANTED--A COACHMAN; WAGES, $15 PER month, with board. Apply at 96 Dearborn-st., between 9 and 12 o'clock, Monday.

Miscellaneous.

WANTED--A COMPETENT MAN AS CITY EDITOR of a daily newspaper in a city of 30,000. A good knowledge of phonography preferred. Good salary will be paid. For particulars apply to C. B. KANE & CO., 121 Dearborn-st.

WANTED--AGENTS THAT ARE TRAVELING can take small sample-case and make handsome commissions. Address O 44, Tribune office.

WANTED--100 MEN TO WORK IN KING'S COAL mine, at Brainerd, Ill. Miners can make from $4 to $6 per day. Green hands make $2.50 to $3 per day. Inquire at 46 South Canal-st., or go direct to the mine. No smoking allowed. REID TURNER, Superintendent. J. Q. H. KING, Proprietor.

WANTED--GENTLEMEN OF RESPONSIBILITY to establish agencies in cities and towns for a new and attractive magazine; references for Chicago and elsewhere. Call or address Room 60, Republic Life Insurance Building.

WANTED--A BOY THAT CAN PLAY THE SNARE drum: must be a good drummer. Apply to-day, from 9 til 3 p. m., or Monday, at Room 17, R. W. corner State and Madison-sts.

WANTED--SEVERAL YOUNG MEN AND LAdies in a light and profitable employment. LINCOLN & FRASER, 73 South Halsted-st., down-stairs.

WANTED--A GENTLEMAN OF GOOD ADDRESS traveling in the West to take city department supplies (no stoves, etc.); to sell on commission. Call Monday at 34 and 36 South Canal-st.

WANTED--A MAN TO TAKE CARE OF PROPERty; must deposit $250 security. Apply at 179 West Madison-st.

WANTED--A GOOD BOY TO ATTEND A LAUNdry office; must come recommended. Inquire at 169 East Madison-st., basement.

WANTED--FIRST-CLASS CITY AND COUNTRY canvassers; also 2 German or Dutch; permanent employment to the right men; those having mechanical knowledge preferred. Apply after 6 p. m., at Room 57, 125 and 127 South Clark-st.

WANTED--A BOY TO ATTEND FIRES MORNINGS and evenings; must live near. Call between 6 and 9 p. m., Monday morning, 562 Michigan-av.

WANTED--2 GOOD MEN CAN FIND STEADY employment; no capital, but references required. KELLY & HOWISON, 245 South Clark-st.

WANTED--3 WIDE-AWAKE MEN TO SOLICIT orders for the best selling articles out. Call on Monday at store 307 South Clark-st.

WANTED--MEN TO SELL NEW ARTICLES THAT sell fast, and pay large profits. 275 East Madison-st., Room 24.

WANTED--A LIVELY, ENERGETIC YOUNG man to travel during the winter with the advertiser in a pleasant and profitable employment. Good address is security. Call at 218 West Twelfth-st., up-stairs, from 10 to 2, Monday.

WANTED--IMMEDIATELY, 10 LIVE MEN TO work in a permanent business in this city for the Connecticut Life Insurance Company. Call on me at 100 Madison-st., during office hours, and at Fifth Avenue Hotel during the evening. ROWLAND G. HAZARD, Chicago Manager.

WANTED--1 OR 2 EXPERIENCED SALESMEN and canvassers to sell the finest work ever issued; exclusive territories. O. J. GRIFFITHS, 126 and 128 Randolph-st.

WANTED--MEN IN EVERY STATE TO SELL the celebrated Cheney Change. One man sold 70 in one day; another man, who never had sold goods before, cleared $40 in one day. Sells to every man you meet. You don't fall to take an Agency that will pay any person who is willing to work from $10 to $50 per week. 20 East Madison-st., Room 5.

WANTED--A FEW YOUNG MEN FOR THE CITY; business light; pays $5 per day; no capital required unless the business is proved to be so. Call and see at 19 North Canal-st.

WANTED--MEN TO CANVASS IN COUNTRY towns, to come and investigate an article every farmer will personally have to use; can sell in three hours if people will buy anything; is'nt a trinket. Call at 278 West Twelfth-st., up-stairs.

WANTED--MEN IN CITY AND COUNTRY TO sell our Patent Self-Sealing Fruit Can. Men with $2 to $10 can make $5 a day. Costs $ and 15 cents, sells for 25 and 50 cents. A. RAY, Room 18, 164 East Randolph-st.

WANTED--A BOY FROM 15 TO 18 YEARS OLD, who knows how to take care of horses and deliver goods. Well recommended. 971 West Madison-st.

WANTED--FEMALE HELP.

Domestics.

WANTED -- A GERMAN OR SCANDINAVIAN girl to do general housework. Apply at 79 East Twenty-third-st.

WANTED--A GIRL TO TAKE CHARGE OF CHILdren and do plain sewing. Apply Monday at 460 North LaSalle-st.

WANTED--A GERMAN, WELSH, OR NORWEGIAN girl to do general housework. Apply at 113 Twenty-st.

WANTED--A FIRST-CLASS GERMAN GIRL FOR first-class cook, and second girl. Apply 636 Michigan-av.

WANTED--AT 811 MICHIGAN-AV., A GIRL FOR dining-room.

WANTED--A GOOD SMART GIRL TO DO GENeral housework in a small family. Apply immediately at 261 Wentworth-av., corner Thirty-first.

WANTED--A GOOD GIRL TO TAKE CARE OF children and assist at housework; German or Scandinavian preferred. 245 Tyler-st.

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TWEED BENT HIS HEAD,

overwhelmed with mortification, and in the deepest dread of what was to follow. He was surrounded by friends who appeared really humiliated by his display of weakness. He has a most violent temper, and his outbursts of rage in the time when he was powerful would awe his most intimate confidants. To-day those whom he has threatened would have laughed at his weakness if they had not felt that his conviction and sentence let down that they might be the next to be overwhelmed and condemned. Tweed was surrounded by his friends, among whom were two ladies whom I did not know, and whom I had not the heart to ask after. But the story filled the court that they were

HIS DAUGHTERS,

the only women of all he has enriched—for Tweed was a generous dispenser of the natural instincts of thieves the profits of the wholesale pickpocket—to attend him in his hour of supremest peril. Behind him, prominent by his peculiar appearance as by his political standing, was Thomas Ledwith, who, five years ago, ran against Judge Davis for the seat at present occupied by the latter, and who, if Tweed's designs had succeeded, might have been trying and sentencing him, instead of encouraging and sympathizing with him.

IN THE JURY BOX

and behind it, and on the seats reserved for spectators were about a full number of prominent reformers and of friends of Tweed, who were disposed to be quiet. No demonstration in his favor was made at any time, but after the conclusion of the prosecution slight applause, interrupted by the Judge, was heard once.

DURING THE JUDGE'S CHARGE,

when the *Times* was mentioned, a ruffian near me hissed audibly, but a very old and decrepid man in the gallery shook him by the arm and put him out, and the ruffian instantly subsided. When Judge Davis directed the Clerk, Sparks, to call the prisoner to stand up, there was a momentary revolutionary look in the room except those in the immediate vicinity to Tweed. His portly form thus stood out the prominent centre of the whole amphitheatre of forms, eager to hear what the judgment of the law was to be. The voice of the Clerk was clear and loud as he asked why the sentence of the law should not be pronounced. Weaker by contrast, weaker by nervousness, but weaker still by the awful judgment which settled down on him as upon every criminals, in the face of a dreadful conviction, Tweed answered in the low, piping voice of a weak woman, "Nothing." His tones naturally are stentorian. His nervousness in those tremulous tones, which only natural defects or unnatural fears inflict. He stood firm enough though, before. Even during the Judge's speech he had bowed his head in pain or despair at times, but, finally, when the score or more of sentences had been pronounced, condemning him to

TWELVE YEARS' IMPRISONMENT

in the County Jail and to pay a fine of $12,750, he slunk away in charge of Deputy-Sheriff Judson Jarvis, and sought the secrecy of a private room of the Supreme Court, where no Judge was then sitting.

TWEED REMOVED FROM THE COURT

Tweed was taken to the Supreme Court Chamber and later to Sheriff Brennan's private room to await the making out of his commitment papers, which, in view of the number of sentences, were very voluminous, and the Clerk was engaged very nearly till midnight making them out. Brennan himself had gone home. A personal friend of Tweed in former years, he left to a deputy, who is the non-lay of Brennan, in charge of the prisoner and the dispensation of the effects of the office. Meantime Tweed's counsel ran away to Brooklyn, and sought Judge Pratt, who is the only stay now, except Ingraham, whose time expires in a month or two, but he refused to grant a stay of proceedings, and the coun sel came back much disgusted. They explained to Tweed the failure of the measure, whereat there was much cursing on everybody's part save Tweed's, who

BROKE DOWN AGAIN,

and lapsed into a painful state of depression. He is completely demoralized. The last view of him left the impression of a man broken, not with remorse, but despair. At midnight he will be

TAKEN TO BELLOW STREET JAIL.

The jail is full to-night of reporters and friends waiting for his coming, and eager to offer him an ovation. The law requires that he shall be committed before 8 o'clock, and he will be sent on the first commitment if the others are not ready.

TWEED WILL NOT HAVE ANY HARD LABOR TO PERFORM.

It is the County Jail for confinement only, not punishment at hard labor, and he can buy all the provisions he wants. He is a broken man to-day. His confidence has cost him $250,000,

THE CIVIL SUIT

is a foregone conclusion, now that all the evidence against him has been let in the criminal suit, and the former will be prosecuted vigorously now. He was worth very little till the steal of 1870 was consummated, but this gave him nearly $1,000,000, which he had to divide liberally with others.

NO NEW TRIAL.

There is not the slightest chance of a new trial, though great efforts will be made to secure a stay from Ingraham. But the General Term, which has to be appealed to, is composed of two good men, and Ingraham will be off the Bench before she next term, so that the chances are hopeless. It will be many years before Tweed is heard of again, except as a prisoner and criminal.

THE CONTEMPT CASE.

After Tweed had retired, Judge Davis called his several lawyers to the bar and gave them notice to appear on Monday next and justify their contempt of Court in endeavoring to get a protest into the records of the Judge presiding. This was submitted early in the trial, and alleged that Davis was prejudiced against Tweed. This they must justify on Monday or go for thirty days to the same jail with Tweed. Unquestionably they cannot justify, and undoubtedly they will go to jail.

AN OLD GRUDGE.

Several years ago, on the MacFarland trial, John Graham, counsel for Tweed, and at that time for MacFarland, insulted Davis, counsel for the prosecution, in a very gross manner, and Davis is a man who never forgets or forgives.

NO HOPE.

To-night, at 10 o'clock, Fullerton and Graham left Tweed to go to Brooklyn house to ask him for a stay, on grounds which, they say, are sufficient; but you may set it down in black and white and in the largest head-lines that Tweed begins his twelve years to-night. It is a life sentence for him.

TWEED'S PANIC.

Since my last dispatch I learn that the County Jail, in addition, is a penitentiary. This is a prison on Blackwell's Island, is a prison for punishment other than confinement. Here Tweed must labor at any task to which he is put, and it is a prison to which the lowest and meanest criminals are sent.

THE COMMITMENTS

were finally embodied in one long commitment, and on the order of Judge Davis, signed at the Sheriff's office, where he will remain until word has been heard from Ingraham. The prosecution asked for sentence on fifty-one counts, but the Judge disagreed with them, and decided that four counts made a case; so he divided the fifty-one counts by four, and sentenced him the full penalty—twelve years and $12,750.

[To be continued in our Second Edition.]

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VAIN APPEAL.

John Graham began the argument on a motion in arrest of judgment, holding that the act of the Legislature taking the power of audit from the Board of Supervisors and vesting it in the Board of Audit, of which Tweed was a member, was unconstitutional, and hence his client was not liable for acts committed under an unconstitutional act. This and all other points raised by Mr. Graham were overruled by the Court. When he concluded his address, which was after recess, Mr. Tremain moved that the prisoner be sentenced on each separate count in the indictment. He argued by certain modifications as the Judge, in his testimony, might make. Mr. Graham struggled to avert the penalty asked for, and, failing, gave way to its exaction. Tweed himself seemed much affected.

FURTHER SAVAGE REMARKS.

Counsel having concluded their arguments, Judge Davis said it would be unmanly in him to seek to evade an apparent conflict between the views expressed on the first trial of the prisoner and those now entertained by the Court. He said he entered upon the present trial holding the views entertained at the first trial, that the prisoner could be convicted of nothing else than grand larceny. Impressed as he was now by the importance of the case, and paying a line of fault, had had changed those views after examining all reasonable authorities on the subject. After stating them, by the verdict of the jury, the prisoner stood convicted of the crime of grand larceny in the second degree. It is painful to him to be called upon to pass such judgment, he is mistaken, for I would gladly have the acceptance of this position fallen upon other shoulders. I shall not shrink from any feeling of its harshness or severity to prevent the performance of my simple duty. Nevertheless I have the power, and, in pronouncing judgment, I shall endeavor to exercise it so as to temper justice in some degree with mercy. It is deeply to be regretted that the Legislature has not provided a long sentence and proper punishment to characterize offenses of this kind in different forms, and fix penalties for each offense where committed in different forms from those which may be imposed by our statutes. Public officers who rob the people by appropriating public moneys, and allow others to do so through their instrumentality or connivance, are, unfortunately, in the state of our law, not to be adjudged felons, or punished by imprisonment in the State Prison, but escape under forms of indictment for misdemeanor, subject for each to pay a penalty of $250, or a single year in the Penitentiary. If this was a general verdict, this would be all that the Court could impose. Notwithstanding that he took for his own use more than $1,000,000 in the manner described, if there was a general verdict rendered the Court could only pass through the farcical performance of rendering a judgment of $250 fine and one year's imprisonment for the audacious robbery of the city and county of more than $1,000,000. Under the verdict, the Court has larger powers, which it will exercise, and, I hope, with prudence and due regard to the interests of the public and example to be made."

THE SENTENCE.

Tweed was then ordered to stand up, which he did slowly, and on being asked if he had anything to say why sentence should not be pronounced, replied, almost inaudibly, "Nothing," his counsel adding, "He has spoken through counsel." Judge Davis then resumed: William M. Tweed, you stand convicted by a verdict of a jury of twelve honest men of a large number of crimes charged against you, united in one indictment, and that indictment, in the opinion of the Court, could not have been otherwise without a violation of the oaths the jury had taken, or utter disregard of the obligations under which they rested to speak the truth and the whole truth. With all the opportunity you had—had you faithfully performed your duties to the public—to win the honor and respect of the whole community, you saw fit to pervert the opportunity it presented, and the powers with which you were clothed in manner more wicked, more infamous, and more outrageous than any instance of like character which the whole history of the civilized world contains. Instead of protecting the public, you plundered it; instead of standing guard when the law placed you over the Treasury of your county, you threw that Treasury open, not merely to your own rapacity, but also to the avarice of your associates under circumstances which makes it transparent that you were engaged in a concerted conspiracy to plunder the Treasury of this county, in which you and your associates in crime were principally to benefit. The evidence on this subject can leave no manner of doubt on the minds of any. The commencement of it all was the entering by you on those duties as President of the Board of Audit on the 5th of May. The very next day after that your career of plunder began, and from that day forward, consecutively till the whole 190 accounts before that Board had been audited and certified, and the warrants issued and money paid, the evidence is conclusive that the whole proceeding was instituted to carry out a concerted plan to enrich yourself and those associated with you. If there was no other testimony, that in your judgment would be conclusively established by the fact that on each of these several claims, as they were passed on and ultimately paid, your share of the plunder was clearly fixed and prescribed at 24 per cent, while the share of your associates has been fixed by somewhat similar standard of plunder. It is impossible to believe that the distribution of 190 cases, in which the moneys were received on these warrants, that just 24 per cent of each sum should be paid over to you, without a concerted arrangement in advance, by a concerted arrangement that this exact sum should be your fixed proportion of the moneys, of which the county should be plundered. It is vain to suggest that your guilt and conviction has been the result of any partisan feeling; that this was, after all as one of the jurors summoned on the panel expressed it, a struggle between the "ins and the outs." No; the whole struggle has been a struggle between honesty and fraud, between virtue and crime.

The Judge here, in vindication of the non-partisan nature of the prosecution, alluded to the Times in first giving the figures the light, and to the great assistance rendered by Charles O'Conor and Samuel J. Tilden in the preparation of legal proceedings, and continued: "It would be unmanly and silly to pretend for a moment the idea that your conviction has been the result of "persecution at the hands of any person or party. It has been the result of evidence so overwhelming, and a force of facts so utterly overwhelming, and where it was so impossible for a jury to fail to come to a just and full conclusion, that through the whole of this trial you remained, up to the very moment of your conviction, as calm and serene as though you relied upon your innocence, when it was overwhelmingly apparent to all that your conviction was only that audacity, that confidence in the omnipotence of corruption rather than reliance upon your innocence. [The Judge emphasized this sentence by bringing his clenched hand down upon his desk.] Upon this, the Court now is to pronounce upon you the sentence—a sentence that may be adequate to your crime.

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The Texas Construction Company---A Basis of Settlement Proposed.

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NEW YORK.

BANK STATEMENT.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—The Clearing-House to-day, for the first time since Sept. 20, issued an official bank statement, with the differences from the condition of the banks last week, as follows:

	Nov. 15.	*Nov. 22.*
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Circulation	27,357,700	27,209,800
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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

The following table shows the condition of the banks this week compared with the week ending Sept. 20:

	Sept. 20.	*Nov. 22.*	*Decrease.*
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Circulation	27,414,200	27,299,800	114,400
Deposits	198,040,100	167,967,200	30,072,900
Legal-tenders	34,307,000	30,899,800	3,406,100

MONEY

was active and dearer during the afternoon, with considerable business at 1-32@1-16. At the close loans were made at 5@6.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

heavy and lower, closing at 109¾ for prime bankers' 60 day sterling, and 108 for sight.

GOLD

ranged at 109¾@110¾, and closed at the latter figure. Rates paid for carrying, 7@7, 3-64, 1-16, and ¼ per cent gold. Clearances, $69,883,000. The Sub-Treasurer disbursed to-day $530,000. Customs receipts for the week, $1,700,000. Total imports same time, $6,226,-000, of which $4,500,000 were dry goods. Specie and the remainder dry goods. Specie shipments for the week, $530,000, principally silver bars. Produce exports were over $7,500,000.

GOVERNMENTS

closed quiet and firm.

STATE BONDS

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MISCELLANEOUS.

Railway and miscellaneous speculation opened firm, but soon weakened, and prices declined ¾@1¾ per cent. At the first call there was an improved feeling, and a partial recovery ensued, but the market then was lower and irregular. After 1, there was a general advance in prices, ranging from ¾ to 2¾ per cent from the lowest point, dealings also increasing. At the final call the market was firm, and free buying of most closed steady in tone. The leading features were Western Union, New York Central, Lake Shore, and Wabash. The sales were 30,000 Western Union, 3,500 Union Pacific, 4,500 Wabash, 5,000 Rock Island, 500 Panama, 4,500 Ohio, 11,000 Central, 4,000 St. Paul, 13,000 Lake Shore, 1,000 St. Joseph, 2,500 Northwestern, 1,000 Rock Island.

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E. H. Beiderman & Co. have instituted legal proceedings against Daniel Drew, Eugene N. Robinson, and S. H. Alden, charging them with fraud and misrepresentation in regard to large transactions in Canton stocks. It is alleged that Robinson was used by Drew to saddle the stock on Beiderman & Co., after Drew had positively agreed not to sell any of his stock, but would buy more. The difference in dispute amounts to $1,000,000.

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The information made against seventy-five members of the Union last night, it is said, will be prosecuted, as in this State the law in regard to conspiracy is very explicit. The locked-out men look rather blue, as in this strike public opinion is decided against them, and their action of Thursday. Printers are arriving on every train, and it is most probable that on Monday all the offices will have their full quota.

THE COAL-MINERS

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SUSPENDED WORK.

Bokewell, Pears & Co.'s glass house closed this morning for lack of orders. The prospect for the glass trade is not very encouraging.

THE IRON AND STEEL INTEREST

here is not suffering greatly at present. Western collections are coming in very freely. Orders, though not so large as usual, are coming in, and keeping nearly all the mills busy, without accumulating any extra stock.

THE BANKS.

A number of the banks are again discounting their customers, and altogether, from a general standpoint, the prospect for the future looks more cheering.

PHILADELPHIA.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Nov. 22.—The money market to-day was greatly unsettled, owing to the prospects of a war with Spain. Currency was plentiful, and notes for loans ruled at yesterday's quotations.

WASHINGTON.

Candidates for Minor Offices in the House — Coast Survey — Damages Awarded Against the Pennsylvania Central Road--Picking of Government Locks.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 22.—A new candidate for Sergeant-at-Arms of the House turned up to-day in the person of R. A. Green, M. D., of Bowling Green, Ky. The Doctor is a colored brother, and was a delegate from Kentucky to the Philadelphia Convention. He has issued a most formidable circular, setting forth his candidacy, and dwelling with extreme vigor upon the undesirable qualities of the other candidates for the place. There is an impression among those who are willing to serve their country as Postmaster of the House, Ex-Gov. Sam Bond, and ex-Congressman Pierce, of Mississippi, are probably the most active of the members, with the chances in favor of Private Dalzell.

GOVERNMENT EXPEDITION.

The United States steam tug Fortune, which is now fitting out at the navy yard here, will be ready for service by the 1st prox, and will sail on or about the 15th of next month to correct the latitude and longitude of ports on the South Coast of Cuba.

In an action for damages by a citizen of this District against the Baltimore & Potomac branch of the Pennsylvania Central Railroad, the Circuit Court has awarded $12,000 to the plaintiff for damages to his property by changing the grade in the street in the the northeastern portion of the city.

LOCK-PICKING INVESTIGATION.

The Government is making an investigation into the recent alleged picking of six locks on an United States bonded car bound from New York for St. Louis, in which some $6,000,000 worth of bonds were abstracted from the car by removing the patent seal-lock without breaking the seal.

ROCK ISLAND.

The City Short of Water.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

ROCK ISLAND, Nov. 22.—No little comment was excited in this city this morning by the discovery that the water supply had ceased, owing to the negligence of the employes of the Water-Works, who had allowed a sand-bar to accumulate over the principal feed-pipe. A false alarm of fire was raised at 3 a. m. The fire-pressure was immediately on, exhausting the water in the reservoir in a few minutes, and pumping up a quantity of sand from the filter-bed. The fire-engine was immediately placed at work pumping water into the boilers in the engine-house, and a force of men employed to clear the feed-pipe. During the present low stage of water in the river a permanent supply can only be depended on by laying a feed-pipe further out into the stream, and sending it to the pumps instead of the filter-beds, giving the people unfiltered water.

COMMISSIONER SMITH.

His Conduct While He Was Agent for the Chippewas to be Investigated.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

ST. PAUL, Nov. 22.—Secretary Delano has appointed Nelson J. Turner, of Ohio, W. R. Jennings, of Pennsylvania, and James Smith, Jr., of St. Paul, to investigate Commissioner Smith's contract with Wilder, of St. Paul, in selling the Leech Lake pines, and Smith's conduct generally while Agent for the Chippewas of Minnesota. They meet here on Friday next. The notice is short, but those who have exposed Smith are hopeful that they may secure Congressional investigation which will result in a radical reform of the Indian service in Minnesota. A full and fair investigation is not expected from Delano's commission.

CRIME.

Mysterious Death.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

MCGREGOR, Ia., Nov. 21.—The body of P. H. Essart, of the firm of Estgood & Co., of Lansing, was found in a thicket near Lansing, Ia., on Friday, the head and neck badly mangled. He was highly esteemed by all. No inquest held. No arrests have as yet been made.

Arrest of Prize-Fighters.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 22.—Tom Allen, Arthur Chambers, and Tom Kelly, who were arrested last night on a requisition from Gov. Beveridge, of Illinois, for participation in the prize-fight between Allen and Mc-Coole, on Illinois soil, last September, were taken to Edwardsville, Madison County, Ill., to-day, by Sheriff Cooper, where it is probable they will be bailed. An effort was made here to procure their release from arrest by habeas corpus, but, while their attorney was preparing the writ, Sheriff Cooper quietly put them in a carriage and took them across the river.

New York Criminal Items.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Frank L. Taintor, the alleged defaulting Cashier of the defunct Atlantic Bank, has been remanded for sentence. The motion for a new trial was denied.

Andrew L. Roberts and Robert Gleason, the alleged bond forgers, have had fifteen additional indictments for forgery found against them.

George Boyce, aged 13, has been arrested on a charge of fatally shooting his uncle, John Hutton. The boy entered his uncle's store, and remarking, apparently in jest, "Now, I'll fix you," drew a revolver and fired.

Smuggling Case.

PORTLAND, Me., Nov. 22.—Prosecutions have been commenced in the United States District Court against Charles A. Boardman, of Calais, on a charge of smuggling a large quantity of Cape wool into Calais. The wool, it is alleged, was originally imported into Boston, where it was withdrawn from warehouse for exportation to New Brunswick, and thence smuggled into Calais. The amount sued for is said to be $18,000.

Woman Shot by a Wood-Sawyer.

WARRINGTON, Nov. 22.—Mrs. Moriarty and a wood-sawyer named Bourke quarreled about the payment for sawing some wood, when the sawyer shot her dead. The murderer escaped.

FIRES.

At Peshtigo, Wis.

PESHTIGO, Wis., Nov. 22.—The Peshtigo Company's machine-shop was burned this morning at 6 o'clock. The loss is from $15,000 to $18,000, with no insurance.

Prairie Fire in Kansas.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 22.—A prairie fire in Kansas, last Tuesday, in addition to destroying much farm property in the neighborhood of Osage City, burned the town of Olivet, with the exception of two or three houses. No lives are reported lost.

MARINE DISASTERS.

Loss of a Telegraph Steamer—Two Boats Missing.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—A telegram from St. Johns, N. F., says: "The telegraph cable steamer, Robert Lowe, was lost near St. Shatta, St. Mary's Bay, on Wednesday morning. The chief officer and two of the steamer's boats' crews were saved. The Captain and two other boats are missing. The tug-steamer Cabot has been dispatched to assist the missing boats."

PUGILISTIC.

Hogan to Fight Somebody.

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 22.—It is stated that Ben Hogan has agreed to fight some one unknown at Sioux City for $2,700.

THE WHIPPING-POST.

NEW CASTLE, Del., Nov. 22.—Three white men and three negroes were whipped here to-day. The former received twenty lashes each, and the latter ten each. A wealthy man, got one hour in the jail-yard and forty lashes. Blood was drawn from two of the white men.

ON HIS TRAVELS.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Nov. 22.—Naval Chaplain Pomeroy, who figured at South Bend, has appeared here under the names of Hughes and Ives, but was cut short in his imposture by a newspaper exposure. He is now in a country village of Dakota County, lecturing and cutting country women.

A VALUABLE MAIL-BAG.

DES MOINES, Ia., Nov. 22.—On Thursday morning, on the prairie in Adair County, was found a mail-sack, probably left by the train-robbers. It contained a bill of exchange, No. 8,777, drawn by Lucas & Wallace, San Francisco, Cal., in favor of B. M. Rosenthal, for $1,000, the only money left over. The mail and express matter on the route of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad

FOREIGN.

Members of the French Cabinet Withdraw Their Resignations.

Plot to Surrender Cartagena to the National Forces.

FRANCE.

PARIS, Nov. 22.—The Cabinet will probably be reorganized to-day. It is understood that the Duke de Broglie, the Minister of Foreign Affairs; Pierre Magne, the Minister of Finance; and Dessilligny, the Minister of Public Works, will remain.

PARIS, Nov. 22—Evening.—The members of the Cabinet have withdrawn their resignations tendered on Wednesday night last.

SPAIN.

MADRID, Nov. 22.—The plot to surrender Cartagena to the national forces was discovered in that city a few days ago, and all the military leaders except Contras were arrested. Contras and Galvez are now the sole rulers.

A terrible cannonade and fusillade were progressing last night, and it was believed that the military had made efforts to liberate their commanders, and were stifled by the forts which are now manned by convicts.

The national forces besieging Cartigena remained passive during the firing.

ITALY.

ROME, Nov. 22.—Count Corti, Italian Minister at Washington, but now here, and umpire in the American and British Joint Claims Commission, has read a congratulatory letter from the British Government.

MORTUARY.

Funeral of the Late John P. Hale.

DOVER, N. H., Nov. 22.—The funeral of John P. Hale took place to-day. The stores were closed and bells tolled between 2 and 4 o'clock. At half-past 1 short prayers were held at the late residence of deceased and the remains were then taken to the Unitarian Church. There were twelve pall-bearers, including Gov. Straw, ex-Gov. Harriman, and Judge Chase, with Mr. Hale for years in the United States Senate. The services in the church included an address, after which the remains were taken to Pile Hill Cemetery.

RAILROAD NEWS.

Union Pacific Railroad Business.

OMAHA, Nov. 22.—Passenger earnings of the Union Pacific the past week, $90,000. Fifty cars of tea and silk went East last night.

DECLINES A BANQUET.

Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

RICHMOND, Ind., Nov. 22.—William Bailey, of this city, author of the Indiana Temperance bill, protests against a banquet tendered in honor of him, at Lyceum Hall on the evening of Dec. 3, owing to the stringency of the times, and says the wants of the poor demand more judicious expenditures. The Committee of Arrangements conceive that protest is more consistent with his philan

E MURDER.

table Stabbed Seven Unknown Man.

osed to Be Fatal

mysterious tragedy—a added to the many that rds of Chicago. This ern limit of the North e affray. The knife was he participants two men were friends when they e liquor that brought on LY CONTEST.

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E WOUND

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CONTRARY.

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CONFLICT,

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WITH BLOOD.

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e appointed to carry out ecclesiastical property 22 of six convents. At nan College, the Rector the Committee a protest of Jesus, declaring that institution, possessing ter. The Rectors of the ued a collective protest. these protests, and sub- h of the Jesuits a certifi- o be paid them. At the u, the Rector also tender- erting the rights of the y. At the head house of the delegates were very General of the Fran- d in brief terms, accord- al laws. The American presented to the del- s the seizure of certain , which belong to their e delegates received the the certificates. In the rotests were tendered by ficates of income were The proceedings were ous regularity.

ench of Promise.

f promise of marriage, Montreal last week, had It was brought by a youg lady of 47 (the age nd the amount of dam- ation of his feelings was leged that he had, after e defendant, purchased with a view of making it w he had no need of it; ished various sums of nt; that he had bought at he purchased a suit of e worn at their wedding, come to Montreal and nd, finally, that he had ld ring in token of their her, plaintiff's claims . The promise of mar- nd as to the money de- e clothing and the gold ded that she was ready ied on to do so, but that d for them by the plain- mmised with costs.

Mutilated by Hogs.

Dispatch to the St. Louis ibe.

Dalbon, a butcher, of y, Ill., while returning covered the remains of ar where there had been n was decently dressed, y his eyes and face, and s side and disemboweled n from his head. Every- e had been dead some n obtained thus far as to ne to his death. The body besides his cloth- e initials J. E. on it, but ds of the manufacturer. found is at the head of a e just such a place as rillain to commit murder.

traordinary.

ge Palladium.

Sally Lemonier married After the wedding Miles and was absent sixteen she married Mr. Knights uring the California gold . K. and went to that re- r again till last Monday, dding, Mr. Johnson took but deserted her. The man was Curtis Munger, devotion and services of last Monday, at Phœnix, ts put in an appearance eross his wife. Knights ognized him after a cane put in his claim for Mrs. Mr. Munger, or Mrs. ect at the latest accounts ould decide in his favor.

Convict.

ver (Col.) Tribune.

ho has just been sent to term of eighteen months e some of the best mining n Gilpin County, and is from $75,000 to $100,000. through all the courts, rs, and conducted by the Territory. He has spent get clear. Mackay gain- officers and all with whom ring his confinement in regularly to go alone to his elsewhere, and the night o Canon City, unaccom- had an hour's chat with was always prompt to his d by officers here that he d to go alone to the Pen- mself up.

a more accommodating Evansville, Ind. Lately, ner-stone of a new church, s and girls do their sprink- Amen to it. I have a sh as the apple of my eye. age, I had rather she e house of God than in the for a moment insinuate of a pastor in the least ings fees, but we consi- are will be a great deal of er wants" in his congre- ndren.

EFFECTS OF THE PANIC.

How It Has Not Reduced the Cost of Living.

All the Necessaries Reported Firm by the Retailers.

A Reduction in the Price of Luxuries, Dry Goods, and Furniture Alone Perceptible.

The Struggle Going On Between Seller and Buyer.

It Must End in a General Cheapening of Staples.

The coming of hard times invariably initiates a quiet but very earnest warfare between the two classes into which commerce divides humanity, the buyers and the sellers. When times are easy, and money is circulating freely and in goodly bulk, the best of good feeling prevails between retail merchants and their customers. The former are accommodating in the way of credit, and extend their business by every possible means, and the latter bother themselves but little about the prices charged, as long as the goods purchased are satisfactory, and the shopkeepers rest contented with occasional payments at the customers' convenience. All goes on swimmingly. The retailers are pleased at the profits they are making, and it is only when the value of their money is made more apparent by the advent of a tight money market that the customers begin to think that they are not getting as much for their money as they ought to. Compared with other cities of the Union, Chicago is not by any means what is known as

"A DEAR CITY."

The competition in all branches of retail business is so keen that a retailer would find it difficult to charge an exorbitant price for any article without having the questionable pleasure of seeing his customer remove his account to the opposition establishment, at the most not more than a block distant. The first thing a wise housekeeper ought to make up his mind to do, though it is generally the last, is to economize. The first thing he invariably does is to scan his household accounts minutely and find a number of what he considers grossly extravagant charges which his butcher, or grocer, or coal-dealer has been guilty of. He makes inquiries and finds that an astute Mr. Brown, who lives only three doors off, gets various articles of home consumption at cheaper rates than those he has been paying. Brown's sugar, probably heavily sanded, costs a cent a pound less than his. Brown's coal has diminished Brown's exchequer by 50 cents a ton less than did that of the exasperated housekeeper. Brown's beef, albeit bony and by no means a prime cut, costs him several cents a pound less than does that which graces the table of

THE THOROUGHLY INDIGNANT HOUSEKEEPER.

Without pausing to consider that while he has been an easy-going, perhaps careless, housekeeper, Brown has lent his brain to the studying out of the problem of where to get the cheapest of everything, he at once lays full blame upon his shopkeepers, and begins to try here and there, in the hope of emulating what he considers Brown's good example. Then he finds out that, while some articles are dearer in some places than others, there are also to be found in those places articles cheaper than elsewhere, and, as he has not the ingenuity and perseverance, like Brown, to enable him to hunt up just where the various goods can be obtained at the most satisfactory prices, and has an utter repugnance to making a tour among a number of shops and collecting an armful, or basketful, of cheap supplies, he is forced back to first principles and runs the old account on as usual with the old shopkeepers. He sees that the one thing needful to enable him out of his $25 a week to keep his little household going is

TO PRACTICE TRUE ECONOMY,

which consists rather in buying as little of everything as is absolutely necessary, and taking good care that it goes as far as possible. Then he finds that he can save money, and in a few months is the proud possessor of a savings account in a Franklin Bank, bearing 6 per cent interest, with the utmost security guaranteed to depositors. How soon the corner lots follow is a domestic matter, upon the privacy of which it were sacrilege to intrude.

The hard times which are at present upon us, however, present so serious an aspect and show such a prospect of lasting powers, that all housekeepers will be justified, not only in economizing, but also in looking well into all their purchases, and satisfying themselves that their shopkeeper is not making more profit than he is fairly entitled to. There is no doubt that the vendors of the necessities, when other businesses show signs of failing off, and a tendency to conciliate customers by lowering prices, are too apt

TO MAKE CONCESSIONS BUT SLOWLY,

arguing that their staples being necessities, the demand must continue, and prices keep up accordingly. Thus it comes that there is not that sympathy in prices between many wholesale and retail businesses. A grocery commodity may fall considerably in price in the wholesale market, without the retailers' customers receiving any advantage. Housekeepers should look after these matters and keep the retailers up to time with regard to them, always letting the shopkeepers watch the rises in price, which they are quite capable of doing. The fact of the matter is that, as a general rule, people, with the responsibility of a home on their shoulders, are looking more keenly at current expenses, and in many cases holding earnest converse with their shopkeepers anent prices in general, trying to persuade the latter that, inasmuch as

SALARIES ARE COMING DOWN,

prices should come down too—a proposition which the mercenary mind of the latter fail to appreciate. In order to find out whether the hard times and the frequent expostulations of customers has had any effect in "weakening" the retail mercantile community, a TRIBUNE reporter was yesterday commissioned to wander among the shopkeepers and find out their views on the subject. The first place he visited was a wholesale grocery house on Lake street, which, judging from the number of customers and general air of activity, was doing quite a good business. A member of the firm stated that groceries were very steady, and that staples of all kinds, unlike luxuries, did not give any sign of "coming down." Beyond the usual fluctuations caused by supply and demand, prices ruled the same as before the panic, and retailers reported no complaints on the part of customers.

A dealer in game and poultry said the prices of these necessaries were not affected by the tightness of the times. He complained, however, of the shippers, who, he said, sent all the best poultry to the Eastern market, where they badly hoped, but in vain, to realize better prices than can be obtained in Chicago.

A PROMINENT DEALER IN MEATS

of all kinds said it was hard to judge of the present state of affairs in his line of business, as prices were very low on account of the sudden influx of pork which always takes place at this season of the year. A dealer in fruits and vegetables said he had noted some little desire on the part of customers to urge the hardness of the times as a reason why prices should lower, but added that he saw no reason why such an allowance should be made. Another dealer in the same line complained of the farmers, who, he said, were holding their produce for better prices than the state of affairs reasonably allowed. He said, for instance, that the bulk of the dealers were anxious to meet the general wish for cheaper potatoes; but the farmers, who have not yet appreciated the fact that money is really unusually scarce, are steadily holding for extravagant figures, and will probably do so until the new potatoes of 1874 are fairly on their way to the market.

A COAL AND WOOD MERCHANT

said that prices were the same as before the panic. Soft coal, he said, had dropped 50 cents a ton, on account of a larger supply coming in than was required, but had since recovered. The hard market was firm, and would require nothing less than a very mild winter to soften it to the wishes of purchasers. Fervently praying for the very mild winter to come, the reporter turned into the retail district, where he consulted with grocers, butchers, poulterers, fruiterers, and vegetable dealers, and a host of retail dealers of other descriptions. They had all heard of the hard times from their customers, but had not made any reductions. In fact, they did not see how they could. They always sold at prices which left but the veriest trifle of profit, and any reduction would be their utter ruin. With regard to credits,—yes, they were shutting down on all credits of a doubtful character; were acting very cautiously in the matter of book-accounts, and intended to do so just as long as the evidences of hard times continued.

Moving into other fields of commerce, he found much valuable information. In a tour among the house-agents, he found that the amount of inquiry for

HOUSES AND STORES

is not large at this time of year, most persons being already settled for the winter, but, per contra, the number of houses offered to rent is but little larger than the demand, and no one is willing to come down from the prices always hitherto obtained. The rent of stores and offices is somewhat lower than what it was last month, but this is principally due to the fact that most business men have already established themselves for the holiday trade, and therefore the demand is less than it was. The number of houses advertised to rent is modotately large, but they are mostly houses already occupied by their owners, who have more room than they can afford to occupy, and who are trying to move into smaller quarters. Houses ranting for from $800 to $1,200 per year are readily rented if they have a respectable situation and the modern conveniences. Many families, too, are trying the experiment of hotel life, and the number of permanent boarders in our first-class hotels is very large. The proprietors of furnished rooms have had such extravagant ideas that the decline in this rent of such rooms, particularly in the business part of the city, was only to have been expected. The rents, in many cases, are not yet by any means reduced to a fair, reasonable rate.

IN FURNITURE AND FURNISHING

there has been only a small decline, covering the finer and more luxurious styles of *suites*. Carpets have not decreased over 5 per cent, and curtains not so much. On the whole, the average reduction on furniture is about 7½ per cent.

CLOTHING, HATS AND CAPS, FURS, AND BOOTS

are all advertised at much reduced rates, but the real reduction is not large. On heavy clothing it may average 15 per cent for ready-made goods, and possibly 10 per cent on gentlemen's underwear, but in custom-work and the finer dress goods, the reduction would not amount to over 5 per cent. Hats and caps at wholesale show a falling off of about 5 per cent, but the retailers have as yet failed to give their customers the benefit of this decrease in price. Furs are considerably cheaper, except sealskin, which commands better prices than ever. Boots and shoes at wholesale show a reduction in the price of heavy, coarse goods only, while "arctics" and overshoes of all kinds are higher than this time last year. Holders of old lines of goods who are anxious to realise upon them are selling for what they can get, but new and stylish goods bring nearly the old prices.

IN DRY GOODS

alone is the decline in prices partiularly noticeable, since usually at this season the trade is not only very active, but prices are generally stiffening until after the first week in December. Still, the general impression that *all* classes of dry goods have declined in price is a decided mistake. Cotton goods, calicoes, sheetings, light dress materials, and, in general, all goods not strictly suitable for the season or exactly in fashion, which might, ordinarily, have been kept over for next season, have been slaughtered at a remarkable rate, many of the most staple goods being lower than at any time since the outbreak of the war. But the finer classes of goods, domestic woolens and imported dress materials, have hardly fallen off at all, except in particular instances where dealers have been anxious to get ready money at any sacrifice, and these instances have not as yet been sufficiently numerous to affect the general market to any great extent. Blankets, hosiery, and underwear show a falling off of from 5 to 10 per cent from September prices, and people are now beginning to get over the effect of their first fright, however, they are beginning to buy winter clothing more freely, and hosiery and underwear hold up well together. Cloaks and shawls show no marked falling off, though the demand is mostly for medium-priced articles. Taken as a whole, the prices on all classes of dry goods have not declined over 10 per cent.

MILLINERY

is one of those things about which "no fellah can tell, you know," since the demand for many articles is not at all dependent upon their absolute value, usefulness, nor, frequently, upon their beauty or good taste. That invisible deity which sways the world under the name of Fashion, has more to do with the price of feathers, ruffles, ruches, flowers, and ribbons than all the financial crises that Lombard street, Rue Richelieu, or Wall street ever produced. If the prevailing mode requires ruffles as large as horse-collars, and as stiff as buckram, woe be to the girl who does not wear one, even if it cuts her ears off, and a small fortune in laundry bills. In consequence, prices in the millinery line have been but little affected. Velvet cloaks can now be bought as low as $55, which news will undoubtedly cheer many a young heart hitherto drooping despondently over the prospect of the unattainable. Indeed, our reporter recklessly invested a half-week's salary in one, to be made a present to his landlady's daughter in return for a year's board. However, as a rule, there is but little reduction in prices in millinery goods, and the young man who may have expected to commit matrimony this winter will find it advisable to postpone the dread ceremony until there is a reasonable hope of reduction in the price of ribbons and feathers. From millinery to

FURNITURE AND CARPETS

is an easy step, and we now come to the point where the panic has shown its most marked effects. While the blue days lasted, pater and materfamilias religiously closed their purses to all appeals for jewelry, pianos, candy, wines, cigars, etc., and, in consequence, the dealers in many *objects de luxe* were obliged to reduce prices to keep up any trade at all. The price of all the staple articles of jewelry, for instance, has fallen as much as 10 per cent, while on the more delicate, expensive, and fancy ornaments, except precious stones, there has been a reduction of fully 20 per cent, and, in case of goods a little old-fashioned as much as 30 per cent has been deducted. Under these inducements the Holiday trade promises well, though the profits will not be as high as usual.

Pianos, organs, and other musical instruments are selling at a reduction of 25 per cent for cash, but no reduction is made upon time sales.

SEWING MACHINES

run along as usual, except in the case of one pattern, the Florence, which has reduced prices $20 upon each machine.

Candy is going down—but not in price, and the small boys and girls who expect Santa Claus in about a month, will possibly find gum-drops and stick-candy in their stockings, instead of marsh-mallows, caramels, and Confiserie Francaise, as of old, unless Gunther, Maranesi, Dyball, and the others reduce their prices to panic rates.

CIGARS AND TOBACCO

are not visibly affected at wholesale or retail, but it will be observed that the thrifty smoker is not so apt to throw away a half-finished cigar as of old, and consequently newsboys complain that the price of "stubs" has risen, and that the bloated capitalists of LaSalle and Madison streets show a selfishness highly reprehensible in the hard times.

THERE IS NO DECLINE IN DRINKS,

at least, no one has been yet known to decline when asked. Mint juleps, claret sangaree, Champagne cobblers, and other light drinks are not in demand, but all offers are readily taken. Cocktails, punches, brandy smashes, and apple-jack continue stiff and in good demand. There is a pernicious weakening in whisky by some dealers, though the majority prefer it straight. Beer is lively and excited, particularly since election, and sales have been heavy, though the beer has been light. The happy days of "swei glass for 5 cents" have not yet appeared, but all will come right when Washburn is put in his little bed. Highwines are not low—not by any means, nor have they suffered from the panic. In fact, it is stated that a way New York speculator invested $50,000 in whisky at the commencement of the panic, since he expected a marked increase in the demand for the flowing bowl in consequence of the financial troubles. Whether he was correct or not, it is certain that liquor has not been affected in price by the panic.

It cannot be said that the housekeeper is any worse off than the man who tempts the anger of the gods by

LIVING IN A BOARDING-HOUSE.

He has limited quarters, few comforts, and he pays just as much now as he did two months ago, with the additional item of fuel.

Among the many general expenses in which there has been no reduction whatever may be mentioned taxes, water-rates, gas, car-fares, pew-rents, dentists' and doctors' bills, school and music instruction, amusements, and lawyers' fees.

Bad Tea.

From the London Spectator.

The question of spurious or injurious tea seems to be growing important. The Chinese have discovered that tea leaves mixed with dung, iron-filings, and other substances, all powdered fine, suits the English market, and are sending compounds of that sort over in huge masses, of course not without connivance from some English dealers on this side. On Tuesday it was alleged by the Sanitary Commissioners of the city that no less than 10,000,000 pounds of such tea, totally unfit for human food, was in bond ready for sale. The quantity would, we believe, be greatly increased if partially adulterated tea were added to the list, and we do not see why the City Board of Health want additional powers to compel its destruction. They only want additional courage to offend the importers, who are often men of the highest "respectability." They order the tea, and they know what they are ordering, particularly when if a magnet is introduced into a chest it is drawn out covered with iron-filings. The grand difficulty rests with country purchasers, who want tea at 1 shilling and 6 pence, which they cannot have, the lowest remunerative price being 2 shillings, but the Customs have certainly power to send dangerous tea to "Her Majesty's tobacco pipe," the furnace into which forbidden articles are thrown, and should do it.

ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS.

Their Manufacture in New York and Elsewhere.

From the New York Times.

On the street, on the cars, or on the ferry-boat one cannot but observe the number of artificial flowers that nestle so coyly under the brim of round hats, peep from under folds of lace on bonnets, and adorn in every conceivable way all sorts of feminine head-gear, and which sometimes seem so daintily formed and tinted that to think of their home as being anywhere but in shady woods or by the side of some softly-rippling brook seems almost like desecration. But in the side-streets of the great city, the very antipodes of forest aisles or grassy fields, is where we find them springing, not exactly from the soft, damp earth, but from the various combinations of muslin, gum, paints, wire, and the labor of hundreds of young girls. This, of course, takes away all sentiment concerning them, but makes the process of their manufacture none the less interesting. There are in this city alone over 2,000 girls employed in this apparently unimportant manufacture. Let us follow some of them and learn something of the way these dainty imitations are made. The material used is nainsook, cambric, and satin jean, and sometimes satin. This is first cut by means of dies into the proper shape; the work, being rather heavy, is done solely by boys. The next step is the coloring, which is all done by hand, a greater part being done by boys, but few girls liking to do this part of the work, the details of flower-making being far from cleanly. Still there is but little resemblance to flowers in these flat bits of colored muslin. But come into the rooms where we see dozens of long tables each surrounded by numbers of young girls, all busy at work, and we see at one of these tables these flat pieces shaped and curled on the edge with a large steel pin. These are for outer petals, and now we wonder about the inner ones. "Crumpled rose-leaves!" It seems very suggestive of color and beauty and dewy fragrance, but we find that the "crumpled" appearance is given them by means of a heated iron which pressed them into an India-rubber cushion. They are then gummed and fastened into their proper position by a girl who receives the stamens and wire from still another.

The leaves go through nearly the same process in regard to the cutting and coloring, the only distinctive feature being the veining, which is done with a heavy press. The stems are nearly all imported, as they are of much better quality and of lower price than they can be bought here. Indeed, those who manufacture of flowers here is comparatively in a crude state, as is demonstrated by the fact that only the lower grades of flowers are here even attempted. In France each woman manufactures what flower is best suited to her, and wears it, be it a daisy, pansy, or rose; and if Mme. Blank says: "Grapes are worn now, my dear, pansies are old style," she does straightway send a change her soft-eyed pansies for an immense bunch of grapes? Not she, any more than we, who do not even attempt to follow the fashion, have one wear all violets in our garden, and the next week whem all out to make room for snow-drops.

Here there is one year a "perfect rage" for daisies, and fall, gaunt women wear them as complacently as the rose-cheeked blushing school-girl. The next year they are a drug in the market, and they must give place to roses. This difference in France leads, of course, to nearly absolute perfection in the manufacture of each particular flower. One man makes only violets. He has workers who have been with him for years, marriage making no difference in their employment. He has taken pains to teach them, and their long apprenticeship, together with their natural taste, makes the flowers which they produce far superior to those which are manufactured here, where, perhaps, the girls are changed each month. Their perfection in one branch is the end to be attained. For this end he has access to the Jardin des Plantes, the parks, and the main flowers that he wishes to similate, to books describing them, and to free lectures, all of which have a refining influence, and which tends to educate his tastes. Flowers are often brought here by the gross and branched here; this, while giving us the advantage of the foreign manufacture, tends to lessen the price, and is all that way does to be packed very closely. Another thing which would scarcely be thought of as a branch of business is the preparation of moss for the moss roses which are worn in such profusion. This is the same as can be found in our own native woods, but is all imported. In France a firm takes a number of poor children, providing them with a home, food, and clothing for their labor in gathering, cleaning, drying, and coloring this moss, thus becoming an expert in the course of a year as to prove it a good investment. Some idea of the value of their labor may be given when we learn that it is sold here for 30 cents a thousand pieces, each piece measuring about two inches. One of the freaks of fashion is for imperfect flowers, late roses, with only one side fully developed, roses which are apparently falling to pieces, buds all admire as being more or less true to nature; but when we are shown blue and green roses and black daisies, we can only say they are wonderful (for their ugliness), and quietly think that only a barbaric taste can admire them. An endless variety of natural grasses and wheat affords ample opportunity for the display of whatever taste we have in combining them. Indeed, branching seems to be a sort of the business that requires inherent taste and love of flowers, in order to follow nature as closely as possible.

Some of the imported flowers are so lovely that we involuntarily stoop to inhale their fragrance, and even here we are not disappointed, for we find that each flower has its natural fragrance (not a mixture of gum and paint and starch), but the very fragrance of the woods imprisoned in its depths.

Butterflies poising on the edge of lilies (the glimpse of steel springs destroys that illusion), bees dipping daintily into the sweets of roses, the dew-drops still glistening (very tangible these dew, you know), all combine to imitate very successfully the more fragile darlings of nature.

A Russian Religious Sect.

From the Pall Mall Gazette.

The Russians and Americans have from time to time discovered affinities toward each other of divers kinds. To these may be added the capabilities shown by either nation for producing extraordinary religious sects. The latest thing in that line which has come to our knowledge seems worthy of a passing remark. The fair sectarians—for with a few exceptions they were all of the fair sex—dwelt in the Russian town of Porchov, and were called Seraphinovski, from their founder, Father Seraphinus. Their creed was implicit faith in their reverend leader; their practice consisted in uniting the lives of dealers, though the majority prefer it straight. Beer is lively and excited, particularly since election, and sales have been heavy, though the beer has been light. The happy days of "swei glass for 5 cents" have not yet appeared, but all will come right when Washburn is put in his little bed. Highwines are not low—not by any means, nor have they suffered from the panic. In fact, it is stated that a way New York speculator invested $50,000 in whisky at the commencement of the panic, since he expected a marked increase in the demand for the flowing bowl in consequence of the financial troubles. Whether he was correct or not, it is certain that liquor has not been affected in price by the panic.

It cannot be said that the housekeeper is any worse off than the man who tempts the anger of the gods by

LIVING IN A BOARDING-HOUSE.

He has limited quarters, few comforts, and he pays just as much now as he did two months ago, with the additional item of fuel.

Among the many general expenses in which there has been no reduction whatever may be mentioned taxes, water-rates, gas, car-fares, pew-rents, dentists' and doctors' bills, school and music instruction, amusements, and lawyers' fees.

Bad Tea.

From the London Spectator.

The question of spurious or injurious tea seems to be growing important. The Chinese have discovered that tea leaves mixed with dung, iron-filings, and other substances, all powdered fine, suits the English market, and are sending compounds of that sort over in huge masses, of

MONETARY.

SATURDAY EVENING, NOV. 22.

As the volume of business last week showed an increase over that of the previous week, so the business of this week, in almost every branch of trade, has been greater than last week. As a rule, all transactions at the banks, and also in the purchase and sale of commodities are in smaller amounts, but there are a great many more of them. So notably is this the case, that several of the banks have had to employ extra clerical help within the past two weeks. The aggregate volume of business in the city is, however, still below what it was before the panic, though at the present rate of increase, trade will soon have resumed its normal condition in this city.

Money continues tight, but is not more so now than it usually is at this season of the year. The banks are gradually increasing their discount lines, but the pork-packers are the only ones that get much advantage from it yet. In the street 1½ per cent per month is about as low as money is to be had on first-class commercial paper. Real estate paper is also being taken to some extent at about the same rate, and there appears to be a little more money offered on satisfactory real estate security.

New York exchange is in better supply than a few days ago, owing to some increase of bills made against the shipment of hogs, but the Chicago packers have made such liberal preparations for business that they take the great bulk of the hogs that come in, and leave but few to go East.

The nominal rate for sales of exchange to-day between banks was 50 cents per $1,000 premium, though the supply was so small that several banks are still shipping currency to New York from day to day.

We give below, for the first time in several weeks, some quotations of local stocks. During the panic there was really no market, and the figures furnished by Messrs. Hammond & Gage show that prices are much lower on nearly all local stocks than the average of the past year or two:

	Bid.	*Asked.*
First National Bank	140	150
Fifth National Bank	110	125
Commercial National Bank	140	...
Merchants' National Bank	200	...
German National Bank	...	125
Manufacturers' National Bank	...	80
Northwestern National Bank	200	...
Corn Exchange National Bank	108	175
Cook County National Bank	100	100
National Bank of Commerce	...	105
Chicago City Railway	125	145
West Division Railway	150	175
North Division Railway	...	95
Ullman Palace Car	...	105
Babcock Extinguisher bonds	...	100 and int.
Elgin Watch Company	80	...
Cook County 7s	91	93 and int.
Chicago City 7s	91	95 and int.
Chamber of Commerce	...	85
Traders' Insurance Company	92½	95

COMMERCIAL.

SATURDAY EVENING, NOV. 22.

The following were the receipts and shipments of the leading articles of produce in Chicago during the past twenty-four hours, and for the corresponding date one year ago:

	RECEIPTS.		SHIPMENTS.	
	1873.	1872.	1873.	1872.
Flour, brls	8,837	7,454	6,704	6,490
Wheat, bu	64,261	53,990	71,653	40,790
Corn, bu	22,825	59,650	63,524	172,873
Oats, bu	38,830	40,040	40,367	5,492
Rye, bu	3,537	1,000	462	750
Barley, bu	9,029	19,010	11,053	4,500
Grass seed, lbs	87,163	63,080	31,945	18,145
Flax seed, lbs	46,080	155,870	.....	20,000
Broom-corn, lbs	14,000	68,000	960	84,909
Tanned hides, lbs	415,700	64,740	1725,086	426,400
Beef, brls	50	.....	.....	100
Pork, brls	139	.....	1,279	606
Lard, lbs	240,000	6,580	1099,266	288,350
Tallow, lbs	22,670	3,940	1,067	63,000
Butter, lbs	86,827	58,595	19,430	3,150
Dressed hogs, No	152	182	.....	242
Live hogs, No	26,616	16,922	1,621	4,890
Cattle, No	3,599	3,622	1,058	1,466
Sheep, No	462	661	.....	650
Hides, lbs	173,782	168,345	121,112	287,670
Highwines, brls	273	91	93	300
Wool, lbs	63,730	182,070	49,179	100,420
Potatoes, bu	3,550	41	675	.....
Lumber, m feet	1,295	598	1,439	2,137
Shingles, m	479	100	689	1,256
Lath, m	.....	150	263	182
Salt, brls	3,300	9,063	2,494	2,064

Withdrawn from store on Friday for city consumption: 676 bu wheat; 4,057 bu corn; 1,199 bu oats; 1,195 bu rye; 5,571 bu barley. Withdrawn for do during the past week: 31,506 bu wheat; 25,884 bu corn; 22,897 bu oats; 8,269 bu rye; 26,000 bu barley.

The following grain has been inspected into store this morning up to 10 o'clock: 180 cars wheat, 76 cars corn, 21 cars oats, 9 cars rye, 28 cars barley. Total, 314 cars, or 118,000 bu.

The following were the receipts and shipments of breadstuffs and live stock at this point during the past week and for the corresponding weeks ending as dated:

RECEIPTS.	*Nov. 22.*	*Nov. 15.*	*Nov. 23.*
	1873.	1873.	1872.
Flour, brls	50,827	45,770	39,574
Wheat, bu	260,051	586,111	254,438
Corn, bu	215,710	242,000	247,483
Oats, bu	159,405	210,263	182,292
Rye, bu	16,500	14,247	17,782
Barley, bu	64,210	93,698	151,520
Dressed hogs, No	611	823	827
Live hogs, No	190,135	107,956	80,583
Cattle, No	10,356	7,035	15,207
SHIPMENTS.			
Flour, brls	49,401	48,950	39,998
Wheat, bu	675,964	515,601	519,565
Corn, bu	659,387	904,131	513,176
Oats, bu	187,865	271,114	199,621
Rye, bu	24,528	9,951	6,945
Barley, bu	119,016	86,137	155,711
Dressed hogs, No	.....	.....	272
Live hogs, No	40,645	23,790	28,255
Cattle, No	3,646	2,905	7,339

Our notes of two or three days past, of an expected increase in the volume of our grain receipts, are verified to-day by advices to several of our prominent receivers. The farmers have been busy husking corn for some time past, and are now prepared to ship more freely, especially as present prices are a greater inducement than those which ruled recently. It is not probable, however, that we shall be swamped with grain. The hog crop will necessarily draw heavily on the motive power of the railroads for some weeks to come, and large receipts of grain for awhile would undoubtedly work their own corrective in diminished prices that would check the inflow, and keep it within moderate dimensions.

It now looks as if the blockade on the Erie Canals will be lifted, and that the milder weather will permit the passage to the seaboard, either by water or rail, of all the grain that has been temporarily locked up. The news that boats were moving caused New York to open 3c lower on wheat this morning, and affected prices here in sympathy. It is good news to the West, nevertheless. A great deal of that 5,000,000 bu of grain was owned in Chicago and Milwaukee, and it would have entailed considerable loss to tide it through the winter on a stringent money market. The New York Central has offered to carry to New York any grain that may be east of Utica at $3.00 per ton, or 9c per bu on wheat.

The leading produce markets were rather quiet to-day, and exhibited little change in prices. The general aspect of the situation was very much like that usually witnessed when things are on the turn, having advanced, and preparing to recede. There was no special weakness, except in provisions, and some descriptions of breadstuffs were a shade higher, but there was not much disposition to take hold speculatively. The advances in gold and the Cuban news tended to keep up prices, and yet there were very few who spoke as if they believe there will be a war with Spain, though many who hoped it. The receipts of grain are on the increase, and winter is fast closing in, promising not only a better supply, but an increased cost in getting it to a consumptive market. The rail is called into moderate requisition for breadstuffs, and there is some demand for steamer room on the lakes, but sail shipment seems to be nearly over for this season.

The dry goods market presented no new features. Steady improvement is now noticeable in the demand, and a more confident feeling is being developed. Prices are now believed to have touched bottom, and should trade continue to improve, as there are indications of its doing, there is reason to anticipate a pretty general hardening of prices of the leading staple articles. In the market for staple and fancy groceries a fair degree of activity was noticeable, both local and interior dealers ordering with considerable freedom. Prices were without important change, ruling firm for most lines, coffee being the only notable exception. The stock of coffee now in the United States is 300,000 bags,—an unusually large supply,—and holders begin to show unmistakable signs of weakness. Sugars continue active and firm at the recently advanced prices. Rice, soaps, spices, teas, etc., were being held at about former rates. No change was reported in the condition of the butter and cheese markets, a fair amount of sales being accomplished at 15@30c for the former and at 11@13½c for the latter. Begging remains quiet and steady, at 36½c for Stark, 34½c for Lewiston, 33c for Otter Creek, and 31½c for American and Amoskeag. There was a fair inquiry for soft coals, the late reduction in prices operating to stimulate the demand, but anthracite was dull. Quotations were the same as on the preceding days of the week. Nothing new was noted in connection with the fish market, business continuing inactive, with prices nominal. Dried fruits met with a reasonably active inquiry, and were held with a good degree of firmness. Raisins were higher, in sympathy with an advance in New York, layers now quoted at $2.75@2.85—an advance of 10c per box. Dates, figs prunes, dried apples, and peaches are firmly held. Citron and pitted cherries were quoted "off" a trifle. There was only a limited movement in leather, pig-iron, paints, and wood, and the quoted prices were only indifferently sustained. Oils, with the exception of carbon and lard, were dull. Prices, however, were uniformly well sustained, quotations being 16½c for carbon, 72c for extra lard, 55c@$1.02 for linseed, and 55c for turpentine.

There was an improvement in the demand for cargo-lumber, chiefly for common boards and piece-stuff, which sold at the old prices, while choice boards were difficult to dispose of at anything like a fair price. The receipts were quite liberal. The yard-trade begins to show signs of falling off, though business in the aggregate may, perhaps, be regarded as fair for this season. No change in prices was reported, they, as usual, being shaded to some extent for cash. The iron trade was dull and prices easy. A quiet market was also reported for metals, naval stores, and building materials, prices not being subjected to any important changes. Packers' lines of cooperage continue in request, pork barrels being mostly wanted. The demand for salt is active, and the market is firm at former quotations. The hide market was unsettled, but on the whole firmer, with light offerings and a good demand. Poultry and game were rather dull, and the former, being in large supply, was weak. No change was noticed in the hay, wool, broom-corn, or seed markets.

Highwines were quiet, but 1c higher, sales being reported of 50 brls at 89½c per gallon. There was a fair demand, but buyers refused to concede the advance without a corresponding change in New York, and holders were strong, having very little to offer at any price.

Lake freights were little better than nominal, only one charter being reported, which will carry 25,000 bu on through rate to Boston. One or two vessels were held at 10c for wheat to Buffalo by sail, and 10c was offered for one to load at Milwaukee instead of Chicago. There was some demand for steam-room, but nothing was reported.

Dressed hogs were quiet and irregular, small sales being made on the streets at $4.50@4.75 per 100 lbs. The receipts of yesterday were 152 head, beside wagon arrivals, and the market on 'Change will probably open during the coming week.

Provisions were less active, and averaged easier, though the market for live hogs was early reported stronger. The state of the market was probably expressed by a prominent operator, who, on being interviewed on the subject, said: "Wa'll, I guess things is about at the top for awhile to to come." Hence buyers held off for concessions, especially in the option articles—pork and lard. There has been quite a speculative excitement during the past week, under which the packers have bought freely of hogs, causing an advance, but with a lessened demand for their product they held off to-day, and one or two of them are understood to have decided to curtail operations for the present, as they consider the current basis scarcely a safe one for panic times. The weakness to-day was chiefly on future deliveries, the packers not having any considerable amount of unsold product on hand. Mess pork fell off 12½c per brl, lard 10c per 100 lbs, and boxed meats for December nearly ½c on the white green meats were steady. Sales, Total, 1,200 bu. Other grades were not mentioned.

Barley was dull and easier, in sympathy with the leading cereals; though opening with a show of strength, on account of reported scarcity in New York. No. 2 opened at $1.35, but closed nominally lower at $1.32@1.34. No. 3 sold at 94@99c, closing at the inside, and sold early next week at 98c, seller December. Rejected closed dull at 80c. Cash sales were reported of 400 bu No. 2 at $1.35; 7,200 bu No. 3 at 98c; 2,000 bu do at 97½c; 1,200 bu do at 97c; 2,400 bu do at 96c; 2,500 bu do at 94c; 1,200 bu rejected at 84c; 1,200 bu do at 82½c; 2,800 bu do at 80c; 400 bu by sample at $1.40; 400 bu do at $1.07; 400 bu do at $1.00; 400 bu do at 78c, on track. Total, 22,500 bu.

Corn was rather quiet, and irregular, averaging ½@¾c higher than on Friday, but

RELIGIOUS NEWS.

Labors of Dr. Thomas, of the First M. E. Church.

Facts About the Philosophical Society of Chicago.

The Religious Press on Dr. Cummins and Cuba.

Progress of Work on the New Church Edifices.

The Rev. Robert Laird Collier's Winter Lecture Course.

Programme of Services in the Churches To-Day.

Now that the down-town church enterprises are becoming more popular, so much so that several denominations are at present engaged in Christian labors in this department, it may be well to note more particularly the labors of the Rev. Dr. Thomas, who has charge of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, in the Methodist Block. Quite recently, and which is already dedicated, there has been completed in this block a very neat and commodious church-room capable of seating 1,000 persons. It is rectangular in shape, 65x90 feet, located on the second floor, with aisles running north and south, and a gallery that extends around the east, west, and north walls. It is, therefore, more spacious and much more convenient than the old room, which was on the amphitheatrical plan. The west wall, next to Clark street, is pierced by six large windows, set in clear glass. The east walls contain five of a similar kind, all which give abundance of pure light, which is no small desideratum in Chicago churches. The pulpit is in the south end, and is of the platform style, with reading and preaching desks, and their accommodations in the rear. The grand organ, which cost $6,000, is in the rear of the pulpit-platform, and is made to show all the pipes, of which there is a great number, the effect of which is very fine. On either side of the organ are large, double-fluted columns, between which, in ornamental letters, are the words, "Glory to God on High" (on the east side) and "On Earth Peace and Good Will to Men" on the other. The columns rest on pedestals and arches, beneath which are doors entering the gallery. Surrounding the pulpit at some distance in front, is the altar, always a prominent feature in a Methodist church, which is very neat, and which adds much to the architectural effect of that end of the room. The building is lighted by cluster burners arranged around the walls and in front of the gallery, with a reflector over the altar. The heating is by means of stoves placed in different parts of the room. The entrances are through two double doors at the north end and one door in each corner of the house, with also several doors into the galleries, opening off from the third floor. The main floor and pulpit-platform are richly carpeted, which, with the chair sittings, give a cozy and homelike appearance to the whole. Thus it will be seen that Dr. Thomas has, in all respects, a complete, spacious, and very convenient church-room. Along with these new material arrangements, there has come several new things more immaterial, among which should be noted the

PROTESTANT SOCIETY OF CHICAGO.

This is already proving a success, and will no doubt become a great adjunct to the Church. It was projected by Dr. Thomas himself, who finds in the work a very general co-operation on the part of the city divines and others. The meetings take place every Saturday evening at which papers are read and submitted, followed by a free discussion by the congregation thereon. There are five points especially aimed at, in the diffusions of truth in this department. These are, the discussion of questions of moral philosophy, social science, natural science, speculative philosophy, and the more important topics of current history. A lectures course has been introduced under the auspices of the Society, the first lecture of which was given last evening by Miss Frank Willard, President of the Woman's College at Evanston, on "My Story of the Pyramids." These lectures are to occur once a month, and will be given by able and popular speakers. Dr. Thomas is also making special efforts to induce many persons in the vicinity of his church to attend religious exercises who are not regular church goers. Thus far his efforts in this direction are proving successful. His congregations are increasing, especially that attending the evening services. It will be remembered that Dr. Thomas labored for three years in the Park Avenue M. E. Church of this city previous to taking charge of the present Society, a year ago. He is a scholarly, practical, and earnest working minister of the Gospel. Among the eminent members of his Church are J. K. Botsford, H. H. Dixon, Frank Peck, T. B. Thompson, Judge Goodrich, Dr. Trip, R. F. Queal, and others.

GIFT ENTERPRISES.

From time immemorial almost it has been the custom of the wealthy and more easy churches of the various denominations in large cities to look somewhat after the temporal welfare of ministers whose support is known to be limited. It is now well known that this watchful care has been productive of great good. In fact, this has been so true generally that, outside of all assistance from the various boards, etc., this class of ministers confidently expect, in many instances, a supplement to their salaries in this way. One of the most popular channels in which this kind of work expresses itself is the sending of what are called "missionary boxes" to this or that minister or Society here and there in the frontier and elsewhere. It is generally the work of the ladies, and it should be frankly confessed that it is a glorious work. In this way the Connecticut churches alone sent to Western ministers last year boxes valued at $15,000. The good ladies of the Chicago churches have not been wanting in earnest labors in this department. Nor is a single word now necessary to enlarge their benefications. The cold winter is coming, the ministers are at work, and at the proper time the Chicago ladies will no doubt look after the matter. It is, however, very true, that much good can be done by making up these "boxes" and sending them to ministers, who, perhaps, cannot be very well supported under all the circumstances. The following, from a Chicago religious paper, on the point is quite apropos:

> The "missionary-boxes" will be more heartening, and better than usual. It is time to be filling them, —time they were ready to go in the early fall. Put in garments that will do service, with a margin of new cloth (thread, buttons, and "linings," too) for the parsonage whitewash, so to speak, and all will do no harm if you slip into the pocket of the warm coat a dollar for the baby, or pin a tasteful collar upon the cloak for the domicile's wife, slip in some good magazine and a choice book or two; these little things are excellent for flavoring. All this is no slim-giving: it is only one of the ways ladies have of making up to a little fairer figure the salary of the missionary. No history of home missions would be complete which did not make an account of these helpful "boxes." Those sent West by the Connecticut churches last year were valued at over $15,000! Whether the home churches of the interior might do more in this way than formerly their own thoughtful love will determine.

THE FOUR SEMINARIES.

The four theological seminaries of Chicago, which represent the four great evangelical denominations, are all open again, and well into the winter session. The attendance is greater than ever before, and the accommodations for the students are much better. The Methodist Seminary, which is at Evanston, and in connection with the Northwestern University, has in attendance about one hundred students, and in all respects is doing very well. The Chicago Theological Seminary, at Union Park, which is connected with the Congregational Society, has in attendance this year forty-six students, thirteen of whom are in the senior class. Last year this institution had fifty-four students. The Faculty, with one exception, are all in their places, and everything is moving prosperously. The Presbyterian Seminary, located at the corner of North Halsted street and Fullerton avenue, opened Sept. 4, and now has in attendance twenty-nine students, six of whom are in the senior, eleven in the middle, and twelve in the junior classes. The Faculty, consisting of Drs. Patton, Halsey, Elliott, and Blackburn, are all present. The Rev. Dr. Patterson will be added to the corps of Professors next January. It is gratifying to know that while this is the youngest seminary in the Presbyterian Church, its number of students is steadily increasing, and its financial status becoming more and more firm. The secession of Dr. Patterson to the Faculty will be hailed with delight throughout the Presbyterian West. The Baptist Seminary, located near the Chicago University Building, has about fifty students in attendance, which is an increase over the past. The Faculty are all present, and the good work of this institution is marching on.

BISHOP CUMMINS AND CUBA.

The silver thread which runs through the city religious press for the current week is the celebrated letter of Bishop Cummins.

Next to thus comes the Cuban question, and the winter's work in the churches. The season for protracted meetings is near at hand, and there is much to encourage the laborers in the preliminary efforts now being made.

The *Standard* rejoices to know that in some places the spirit of prayer in behalf of souls and of Christ's precious cause is beginning to descend. It regards this as the first joyful sign of a harvest ripening on the fields where during preceding months the sowers have gone forth weeping. The paper has something to say about the way in which the Jews were treated by the Alliance. But very little was said, it seems, about this class at the great meeting, which fact of editor regards as a natural but perhaps unfortunate oversight. Concerning the Bishop's letter, after a statement of the facts, the following surmise is given:

> The outcome of this, with other somewhat similar occurrences among the clergy of the Episcopal Church, seems likely to be a new ecclesiastical organization, founded on form, yet modified in the direction of a wider recognition of other church-forms, and a material modification of the Prayer-Book. That this will prove "a basis for the union of all evangelical Christendom," as Bishop Cummins hopes, is not in the least likely. . . . Dr. Cummins, however, will have the sympathy of very many in his present course. He is a man of intellect, of unblemished name, of sincere and strong convictions, and even those who think him wrong will respect his sincerity. Thousands, also, will be glad to see him come even thus far toward the true ground, and will try to hope that the same fidelity to conscience will bring him at last to where he will find the "primitive episcopacy," and a form of worship which dispenses with the "liturgy," and still be "Episcopal."

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> The Rt. Rev. George David Cummins, D. D. Born in the State of Delaware, Dec. 11, 1822; educated at Dickinson College, Pa.; graduated in 1841; ordained Deacon by Bishop Lee, of Delaware, in October, 1845, and Priest by the same Prelate, in July, 1847; received the degree of D. D. from Princeton College in 1856. His first parish was Christ Church, Norfolk, Va.; the next, St. James' Church, Richmond Va.; the next, Trinity Church, Washington, D. C.; the next, St. Peter's Church, Baltimore, Md.; and the last, Trinity Church, Chicago, Ill.; while in charge of this parish he was elected Assistant Bishop of Kentucky; consecrated in Christ Church, Louisville, Ky., Thursday, Nov. 15, 1866, by the Bishop of Vermont, assisted by the Bishops of Kentucky (Smith), Iowa (Lee, H. W., who also preached the sermon), Assistant Bishop of Indiana (Talbot), Tennessee (Quintaid), Missionary Bishop of Nebraska (Clarkson), and the Bishop of Pittsburgh (Kerfoot).

It appears, therefore, that he has been twenty-eight years in the Episcopalian ministry; had received a complete collegiate education; has received the Doctorate of Princeton, which is as cautious as the best of Eastern universities in conferring its degrees; and was consecrated by seven Bishops, who were fully qualified to confer upon him all the mysterious powers which, according to some theologians, are "inherent" in the Episcopal office.

As some others have hinted that Bishop Cummins is not effective in the pulpit, I subjoin a short extract from the letter of a correspondent to the New York *Tribune*, written after hearing a sermon from this divine:

> It was my good fortune, on Sunday morning last, to listen to the most wonderful pulpit-orator, in Trinity Church, that ever held a congregation spell-bound with the power of his thought. There is a sweet and solemn pathos in the liturgical service of the Episcopal Church which is often in unhappy contrast with the sermon that succeeds it. He who can, without interrupting the spirit of the service, gather up the hearts and minds of those who have been listening to the prayers, and worthily and powerfully set forth the truth of the Gospel of Christ, is rarely heard. Such a man I heard in Bishop Cummins.

There is a certain degree of impeded articulation in his natural utterance, against which he is compelled to labor; and the victory which he obtains over this is so complete as to increase the effectiveness of his diction. His eye beams with the impassioned fervor of his soul. His tones, his g

ment, remarks the *Court Circular*, as much a subject can well supply is extracted from it, and the burlesque, which is well supported by Messrs. Righton, Cannings, Fisher, and Anson, passed off amid signs of approval almost riotous.

A writer in the St. Louis *Republican* is giving reminiscences of theatrical people in that city twenty years ago. "As an instance," he say "of the uncertainty of success of a piece, and how little even good judges or old actors know sometimes about the drawing merits of a piece, read this. Josh Silsbee had died in California (1854), and Mrs. Silsbee came on here. She offered to sell his pieces and wardrobe to Mr. McVicker. Among other things was 'The American Cousin,' with the Yankee part of *Asa Trenchard* in it. Mack read it; didn't think anything of it; gave it to several others to read, and they didn't think anything of it, and McVicker let it slide. But that is just what there is in the 'American Cousin'—nothing. When Laura Keene produced it in New York, it had the best talent—nearly all stars—in the country in the cast. Sothern didn't like his part, guyed it, and made a hit. That is all there is in the 'Cousin.'"

Imagine the surprise of the Director of the Ambigu Comique, Paris, some years ago, when he received an intimation from his jeune premier—a promising young man named Florestan—that he must leave the theatre, because he had succeeded to a throne. "What throne? What do you mean?" cried the astounded director. "The throne of Monaco," was the answer. "I am the son of the Prince of Monaco; I have had news of my father's death, and instructions to repair to Monaco to govern my subjects." The Director would not believe the story for some time; but on the prompt appearance at the theatre of another jeune premier (who afterwards became the famous Marshal Saint Arnaud!) he consented to cancel Florestan's engagement, and the following announcement was inserted in the programme and placards: "M. Florestan, who is absent on a question of dynasty, will be replaced by Floridor."

The London *Times* has the following: "When, on the occasion of her benefit at the Opera Comique on Tuesday night, this great Italian actress, at a late hour, performed in English the sleepwalking scene from 'Macbeth,' the one feeling excited among the numerous audience may be fairly called amazement. Mme. Ristori was seen years ago in an Italian 'Macbeth,' and there was no doubt that she would give a powerful and finished portraiture of the conscience-stricken lady, but few were likely to suspect that she would realize all the horrors of the situation without betraying the slightest sense of the fetters imposed upon her by a language to which she is unaccustomed. Never, perhaps, was foreign accent so completely reduced to a minimum as in the case of Mme. Ristori. This is the more remarkable because, whereas, most of the many Anglo-Gallic artists who have appeared on our stage are able to talk English with tolerable fluency, Mme. Ristori only speaks our language at all, but is compelled to use French as a medium when conversing with persons ignorant of Italian. To-night her engagement terminates, and she certainly leaves behind a remarkable impression."

MUSIC.

The entire Western season contemplated by the Maretzek opera troupe has been abandoned. After three performances in New York this week they will go to Havana, where the management depend upon Tamberlik's local rep utation to retrieve their fortunes. Meanwhile, that our opera-goers may see what they have escaped, we make room for a few extracts from the New York press. On the 13th, the "Magic Flute" was given in that city, concerning which the *World* says:

Mr. Maretzek's opera troupe fell upon the city last night at the Four-teenth Street Theatre. The building was densely crowded, but the performance was such as might be expected in the circumstances, and only added to the contempt in which the impossibility expressed that Italian opera cannot be given in an acceptable manner to a metropolitan audience under this eccentric system. Nearly everything went wrong. Mr. Maretzek was chief on the hotel. The orchestra faltered, the chorus bungled. The scenery hitched, and finally M. Jamet gave way to irritation or to illness, and the whole opening scene of the second act was cut out. In addition to this, the house was intolerable, and, before the opera was over, the audience was literally tired out.

On the next night, "Il Trovatore" was given. We append the testimony of the New York *Tribune*:

It is really astonishing that with two such artists at his command as Miss Lucca and Mme. Pima di Murska, Mr. Maretzek should succeed in giving so many representations that are nearly worthless. The performance of the "Magic Flute" on Thursday was wretched beyond excuse, and "Trovatore" last night was merely a carnival that might attract those who run after novelties, but could please nobody a second time. The audience was large and uncomplimenting, and a part of it even cried bravo to the "Il Balen." The arrangements of the scene in the gipsy's casual and happy-go-lucky style. The Anvil Chorus was given without any anvils, in the midst of a cheerful landscape resembling the banks of the Harlem River, with the High Bridge in the distance.

In addition to this dreadful condition of things another misadventure happened to the luckless Maretzek. Lucca was cast for *Azucena*, in place of Testa, to whom the role properly belonged, and on the programmes the gallant Maretzek thanked the latter for gracefully yielding the role to Lucca. How Testa regarded this arbitrary and unprofessional piece of business, however, is shown by the following extract from the New York *Post* of the 15th:

In the programmes and advertisements the management thank Lucca for assuming, and Natali Testa for yielding to her, the part of *Azucena*; but this morning Madame Testa published a card in which she objects to the change of cast which deprives her of a part by right belonging to herself, and adds: "In consequence of Madame Lucca's want of delicacy in appropriating a role not belonging to her, and Mr. Maretzek having permitted it, I declare my contract null and void, and respectfully announce to the public that I am no longer a member of the Maretzek company."

Mr. Maretzek undoubtedly felt that such performances as these would not be tolerated in Chicago, and therefore wisely abandoned his season here. Chicago is much more exacting than the Eastern cities, and one such performance as those chronicled above would have given him empty houses the rest of the season. He did well not to come here.

THE STRAKOSCH TROUPE

seems to be doing a good business in New York. It gives but three representations a week, the alternate nights being devoted to operatic concerts at Wallack's, which are proving to be great successes. Last week, the "Huguenots" was given on Monday; "Mignon" on Wednesday; and "Rigoletto" on Friday. To-morrow evening, "Aida," Verdi's latest work, will be given for the first time in this country, with the following cast:

Aida.....Mlle. Torriani
Amneris.....Mlle. Cary
Radames.....Signor Campanini
Amonasro.....M. Maurel
Ramfis.....Signor Naunetti
Il Re.....Signor Scolara

THE NEW ORLEANS OPERA TROUPE

made its debut in that city on the 6th inst. A correspondent writes:

The initial performance of the French opera troupe, recently arrived, took place on Thursday evening, 6th inst., on which occasion the grand old opera, the "Huguenots," was very acceptably rendered to a brilliant and crowded house. The same opera was repeated, for the second performance, on Saturday evening, to a somewhat smaller but equally appreciative audience. The second performance was much smoother, and opened better than on the first night, and naturally so, as some of the artists felt a little nervous on the occasion of their first appearance before so critical and fastidious an audience as that of the Crescent City. Madame Lagva has a brilliant voice,—clear and rippling,—and sets her part with spirit and appreciation of the character represented. Madame Ladier deserves special praise for the manner in which she rendered her part of the dust in the fourth act, and must rank as among the best emotional actresses on the modern stage. Mr. Guyman, the tenor, is unexceptionable as an artistic singer, but his voice has not the strength, scope, or freshness which was expected. Mr. Lourdes, bari tone, has a rich, full, clear voice, and is a very good actor. A better orchestra, under a better leader, could not be desired. Mr. Momas, the conductor, deserves great praise.

MAURICE STRAKOSCH'S TROUPE.

The reopening of the Theatre Italien at Paris, under the management of M. Strakosch, was attended by the utmost success. The lively little opera "Don Pasquale" was chosen for the first night. Among the novelties which are included in the scheme for the season are Marchetti's "Ruy Blas," Lauro Rossi's "Countess di Mons," Pinsuti's "Mercante de Venezia," Fumagalli's "Luigi XI.," Badeali's "Antonietta," Peirella's "Contessa d'Amalfi," and "Il Guarany," by Gomez.

THE KELLOGG TROUPE

Owing to the fiasco of the Maretzek Troupe, the management of the Kellogg Troupe has changed his dates, and has determined to give three weeks instead of two as first announced. The season will therefore commence on Dec. 1, one week earlier. The artists of the troupe are as follows:

Jennie Yarnandi,	Zelda Seguin,
Joseph Maas,	Theodore Habelmann,
Wilford Morgan,	W. H. Tille,
William Carlton,	Henry Peakes,
A. P. Hall,	Edw. Seguin.

The repertoire has not yet been announced, but will be, prior to the season-sale, which commences on Thursday next at Bauer's music store, in the Palmer Hotel Building. The price for reserved seats is $1.50 and $2, according to location,—a very reasonable figure, which will undoubtedly insure large houses.

OBITUARY.

The sudden death of Baxter Stiles, of this city, has been already noticed in the daily press, but the record of his life would not be complete without some reference to him as a musician. He was a brother of Gen. Stiles, the City Attorney, and of Mrs. E. O. Seymour, who has sung so many years in the choir of St. Paul's (Universalist) Church, and has long been identified with music in this city. Mr. Stiles had a powerful, rich tenor voice, and was very prominent in all amateur musical affairs, although he had not sung in public for about a year prior to the time of his death. Years ago he was connected with the St. Mary's choir, and afterwards with the choir at Calvary Church, a position which he held for many years. He was also a member of the Schubert Quartet,—an amateur organization of male singers which acquired a high reputation during its existence. He was one of the original members of the Apollo Club, and was present at its organization, and was one of the most sanguine of the little handful who were gathered together on that occasion as to its ultimate success. A throat-complaint prevented him from sharing the triumphs of the Club which he had foreseen, but his sympathies were always with it. Although cut off in the very flower of his days, he had accomplished enough in music to take an honorable place in the list of the singers and players who have passed away from us. A fitting tribute has already been paid to his memory as a man; as a musician, he will long be held in kindly and affectionate remembrance.

THE MUSICAL COLLEGE CONCERTS.

The first of the regular bi-monthly soirees, arranged by the Director of the Musical College, took place in the parlors of the College on Friday evening last, with the following excellent programme:

PART I.

1. Grand etude.....Charles Mayer
Miss Mary Taylor.
2. Alto Solo—"Grand old Ocean".....Millard
Miss H. Glenn.
3. Vocal Duett—"Evening".....Nicolai
Miss Alice Gage and Mr. Gill.
4. Rondo brillante.....Weber
Mr. L. A. Phelps.
5. Song—"Thinking of Thee".....Blumenthal
Mrs. C. D. Stacy.
6. Vocal Duett—"Secret Love".....Gumbert
Miss C. Dieterichs and Mr. Gill.
7. Valse caprice.....Raff
Miss Clara Murdock.
8. Vocal Duett—"Through Valley, Through Forest".....Biangini
Miss Glenn and Mr. Phelps.
9. "My Soul to God".....Chapisson
Mr. Oscar de Joliest.
10. "Bellario".....Goria
Miss Sarah Conley.

The audience was a very large and brilliant one, and the soiree was, musically and every way, a great success, which augurs well for the remainder of the series this winter. The regular annual College concert takes place Dec. 10 at Kingsbury Music Hall, upon which occasion the following programme will be given:

PART I.

1. Ave Verum.....Mozart
Miss Carrie Lawson, Mrs. Jewett, Mrs. Brackett, Mrs. Dutton, Messrs. E. Boyse, P. Paxton, J. Gill, and P. Albert.
2. a. "The Secret".....Schubert
b. "Oh, Welcome Fair Wood".....Franz
Mr. L. A. Phelps.
3. Concerto G minor (with orchestra accompaniment).....Mendelssohn
Miss Nettie Roberts.
4. "Di Qual Sosni," from "I Marubi".....Donizetti
Miss H. Glenn.
5. "La Charite."—Quartette.....Rossini
Mrs. Stacy, Mrs. Dutton, Mrs. Brackett, and Mrs. Ayer.

PART II.

6. "The Blessed Virgin," from "Tannhauser".....Wagner
Miss Jessica Hassell.
7. "Tutte le Feste al Tempio," from "Rigoletto".....Verdi
Mrs. H. H. Gardner and Mr. Gill.
8. Concerto—Op. 40.....Hiller
Mr. L. A. Phelps.
9. a. "I'm Alone".....Benedict
b. "O, Were Thou in the Cauld Blast?".....Franz
Mrs. C. D. Stacy.
10. Quartette—"Good Night, Beloved".....Pinsuti
Miss J. Haskell, Miss Glenn, Messrs L. A. Phelps and Frank Allport.

THE SCHUMANN CLUB

gives its first concert at Kinabell's piano rooms, corner of State and Adams streets, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 9, on which occasion the Beethoven Trio in E flat, and a Schumann Quintet for piano, two violins, viola, and 'cello will be given.

THE APOLLO CLUB REHEARSAL.

We are requested to notify the sopranos and altos who are rehearsing the "Paradise and Peri," with the Apollo Club, that the rehearsal this week will be given on Friday evening, instead of Thursday, as usual. The change is made on account of Thanksgiving.

PERSONAL.

Miss Blanche Tucker, of Chicago, a young vocalist possessing a fine soprano voice, and a pupil of Madam Viardot, has just passed a brilliant examination at the Paris Conservatoire. Eighty-eight young ladies presented themselves at the concours, but only sixteen of them were admitted, Miss Tucker being second in order of merit. This is a high compliment paid to American talent and perseverance.

CHARLES DE KUNTZEN

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that $16 spent in opera-tickets would buy 320 glasses of beer! but that he wouldn't mean about it; he would drink it all himself, but that he would get it at wholesale and send it home. Now, I hate beer, and the girls would as soon take castor-oil; but all I could say did not make the least difference. "But why go to Milwaukee?" I queried. "To be out of the way of temptation, my love, and to buy beer." I knew very well that, if Bartholomew had made up his mind, it was not of the least use talking; no I was not smart enough. So he came home last night about noon, with the intention of going to Milwaukee. He was accompanied by a small boy carrying a very large box. This contained

A NEW SEAL-SKIN OVERCOAT,

cap, and gloves. Soon a new pair of boots came home, a dozen new shirts, collars, and neckties; while a traveling-bag, fitted up with all sorts of luxuries in the way of combs, brushes, etc., was also brought in. He had all these things good enough for home-wear; but he said, "It would never do for a Chicago man to go to Milwaukee looking shabby." I did remark that, "I thought a new $75 overcoat was good enough to wear there if it was good enough to go to church with me," but he told me, "Woman didn't know anything about such things; that they had neither logic nor reason;" and it was merely a question regarding financial credit during the present time." I thought so myself; but then, as he says, "I'm only a woman," and I suppose Bartholomew must have been right. He told me he supposed I

WOULD NOT NEED ANY MONEY,

as he was going away; but, though I know nothing of finance, I told him *I supposed* I should have the week's expenses to meet, and, as they usually came to $50 at the very least, and as there would only be five of us instead of six, he might take out his share and leave me $43, for I wouldn't quarrel with him about the odd cents.

He grumbled some, but finally consented; and the hack which he hired to take him to the depot came, and he departed. He took with him his dress-suit and two of his best summer's white vests. I am sure I can't imagine what for. After he left, I held a council with the girls. If they could

ONLY HEAR IT MURMUR

one night they would do anything; so we decided to let the upper girl make a visit she has long wanted to, and told the cook she need not bother about gains and fish while Bartholomew was away. Meat are so particular, you know, and Jones was glad of a rest. We decided that, instead of $25, our table need only cost us $15, and that left us $20 clear to use as we pleased. We could have plenty of wholesome food for that; but, when Bartholomew came home, he will have fresh fruit, and choice game, and a fresh joint, and fish every day. Julia wrote a note to her cousin, asking him to go with us to the opera, and not to get a carriage, as we had arranged that. She knew he had a dress-coat, etc., as most young man have who are in society at all. I put $16 aside

FOR FOUR TICKETS,

and Julia took the rest, and went up town, and bought herself some white cashmere for a burnous, and some ribbon to tie it at the neck. She was to wear her pink silk which she had bought for a party-dress last winter. Aramantha, as you know, is younger, and she had decided upon the white Swiss graduating dress which she had last summer when she left school, and the cashmere talma I then bought her. I intended to wear my garnet-moire, thread shawl, and the diamonds Bartholomew gave me when we were married, and which, now we have no carriage, I so seldom get a chance to wear. We were going to pin up our dresses, wrap ourselves up, and go democratically in a 'bus, with Fred to escort us. We felt sure, after what you said, that Mr. McVicker would have the crush-rooms ready. Julia was already studying how to dress her hair, and congratulating herself that the blush-rose which she had raised from a dime-plant would have two or three blossoms ready for her by the DI Morska night, while Aramantha took the fruit-size from out her last summer's bonnet, that she might have them to dress her hair with and wear at her throat. Just

FANCY OUR DISAPPOINTMENT

when Sunday's paper announced that Maretzek and his troupe were not coming! We could all have cried with vexation. The news didn't reach Milwaukee until Wednesday, so Bartholomew said, and he came home to-day, but didn't seem inclined to say much, and hadn't bought any beer to bring home, as he thought it would spoil my transportation. He dropped his memorandum-book, and the following items, noted on an envelope, piece of paper, slipped from it:

Sealskin coat	$250
Cap and gloves	30
Boots	15
Silks, etc., etc.	50
Traveling-bag	50
Sundries	25
Traveling expenses, etc.	125
Total	$545

I handed it to him without saying anything, though I must admit I wanted to; but the poor man

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when he found the opera didn't come after all, that I hadn't the heart to add the last feather. I think next year he will stay at home and take 6s, as he always has done; and I don't know but what I am very glad that he tried the buying of inexpensive beer.

With many thanks for your suggestions about the water-proofs that so nicely protect our clothing, and the light wrap for the head, I would assure you that I feel fully capable of it, for last year I spent $40 for evening bonnets for Julia and myself, besides spoiling my velvet cloak, partly from some rain-spots, and partly from sitting on it and crushing it. Yours very truly, MRS. BARTHOLOMEW BROWN.

The above letter speaks for itself. In regard to our own position, we very much fear that we shall again have to go

IN SEARCH OF FASHION-ITEMS,

interrogate our friends in New York, and weary our Paris correspondents with questions as to what is newest and most recherche; while, at the same time, we must use our ingenuity to show those who are not largely favored by Fortune how to "ruffle it with the best of them." Still, if the Public insists, we are amenable to reason, and would gladly rest from our weary toil on $50,000 a year. A. D. H.

THE FASHION-WRITER.

What She Expected, and How She Was Disappointed.

An Operatic Episode in the Brown Family.

Why Mr. B. Went to Milwaukee, and How Much He Saved Thereby.

We have been waiting, with folded hands, in a state of the most serene complacency, some notification of the fact that the sapient Public, no longer demanding from us a supply of items regarding novelties in the fashionable world, or hints as to what is considered comme il faut in respect to social etiquette, were about to fulfill that suggestion in THE TRIBUNE of the 9th inst., and

PROVIDE FOR OUR WANTS.

How good and generous we thought it of them. No longer wearily trudging, through all weathers, in search of items; no longer getting but a view of the Promised Land, without the least hope of ever entering thereupon; but really, at once, without any effort, reaching the Canaan of our hopes, and enjoying what we have only been permitted to look at and chronicle for the benefit of those "who wanted to know, you know." Just fancy what the existence of a fashion-writer is; how she might even envy Tantalus, so absolutely is she obliged to search for beauties which she may never enjoy. And then to think that all this should be promised her, if she only would no longer put bread in her own mouth by teaching others how properly to serve and enjoy, whether of the material or esthetic sort.

VAIN HOPE!

Complacency gave way to a slight uneasiness, that to indignation, finally resulting in disappointment, when at least one of us found that it was all a delusion and a snare. As, however, there may still be some hope for us at the hands of that portion of the community who prefer Beer to Beethoven, Schnapps to Schubert, or Dreams to Donizetti, we should like to be permitted to make a few suggestions. We don't know how many there are of us, but we have no doubt that our colleagues will agree with us, that, having been so long caterers for others, as there is a possibility of our now being catered for, it should be in accordance with those ideas of what is *the correct thing* that have naturally grown to be our criterion of really living. Hitherto existence has been a sort of meagre vegetation, but now we are really to live and enjoy. We think an income of

ABOUT $50,000 PER ANNUM

would answer very comfortably. Of course we should scarcely care to keep house, for we naturally need rest after toil; so a suite of rooms in one of the new hotels—the Palmer or Pacific, say—would meet our views. These should be on the first or second floor, and furnished suitably. A coupe and coachman for cold weather, with a basket-phaeton and pair of ponies to drive ourselves in fine days. We never did like any one-horse sort of thing. Then a thoroughbred saddle-horse,—for every woman who can ride knows she looks better "en Amazone" than in any other way; and, having so long told the fair daughters of the world how they should array themselves when thus taking proper and healthful exercise, it of course is only natural that, even now, we have grown a little gray and rheumatic in our efforts to serve the public, we should like our chance to enjoy ourselves—in turn. A saddle-horse would be decidedly necessary, and of course such a one, to be perfect, should never be driven,—the alternation from a canter to a trot not being a pleasant variety of locomotion, but one which a horse that is made a matter of utility almost naturally acquires. A cob for the groom,—for of course we should require to be thus attended; and that is all that would be absolutely necessary in that way. Then a French maid to look after our wardrobe; and carte-blanche for the latter, so that it would be only necessary to go to the leading modiste, and give her an order for the newest and most becoming attire. It may be pleasant to those who have not been obliged to hunt up details for the benefit of others, to look after trimmings and enter into the minutiæ of dress materials; but, after it has been a business, it

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MY DEAR MADAME: I read with much interest your article on the Opera, and how we might go in full force without any very great expense. You will remember the Astor-Place Opera, I thought how charming it would be to have my daughters also see something as brilliant and pleasant as the dear old-time days was. Mr. Brown has always taken us, and as he also enjoys music, we were anticipating much pleasure, although wondering how we could manage it these times with tickets so high. Judge of our surprise when Bartholomew informed us that he should not take us to the Opera, but should take us to Milwaukee instead. We were thunderstruck. Julia cried and Aramantha fainted, while I asked Mr. Brown "What he meant by it?" He said he was going there to

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that $16 spent in opera-tickets would buy 320 glasses of beer! but that he wouldn't mean about it; he would drink it all himself, but that he would get it at wholesale and send it home. Now, I hate beer, and the girls would as soon take castor-oil; but all I could say did not make the least difference. "But why go to Milwaukee?" I queried. "To be out of the way of temptation, my love, and to buy beer." I knew very well that, if Bartholomew had made up his mind, it was not of the least use talking; no I was not smart enough. So he came home last night about noon, with the intention of going to Milwaukee. He was accompanied by a small boy carrying a very large box. This contained

A NEW SEAL-SKIN OVERCOAT,

cap, and gloves. Soon a new pair of boots came home, a dozen new shirts, collars, and neckties; while a traveling-bag, fitted up with all sorts of luxuries in the way of combs, brushes, etc., was also brought in. He had all these things good enough for home-wear; but he said, "It would never do for a Chicago man to go to Milwaukee looking shabby." I did remark that, "I thought a new $75 overcoat was good enough to wear there if it was good enough to go to church with me," but he told me, "Woman didn't know anything about such things; that they had neither logic nor reason;" and it was merely a question regarding financial credit during the present time." I thought so myself; but then, as he says, "I'm only a woman," and I suppose Bartholomew must have been right. He told me he supposed I

WOULD NOT NEED ANY MONEY,

as he was going away; but, though I know nothing of finance, I told him *I supposed* I should have the week's expenses to meet, and, as they usually came to $50 at the very least, and as there would only be five of us instead of six, he might take out his share and leave me $43, for I wouldn't quarrel with him about the odd cents.

He grumbled some, but finally consented; and the hack which he hired to take him to the depot came, and he departed. He took with him his dress-suit and two of his best summer's white vests. I am sure I can't imagine what for. After he left, I held a council with the girls. If they could

ONLY HEAR IT MURMUR

one night they would do anything; so we decided to let the upper girl make a visit she has long wanted to, and told the cook she need not bother about gains and fish while Bartholomew was away. Meat are so particular, you know, and Jones was glad of a rest. We decided that, instead of $25, our table need only cost us $15, and that left us $20 clear to use as we pleased. We could have plenty of wholesome food for that; but, when Bartholomew came home, he will have fresh fruit, and choice game, and a fresh joint, and fish every day. Julia wrote a note to her cousin, asking him to go with us to the opera, and not to get a carriage, as we had arranged that. She knew he had a dress-coat, etc., as most young man have who are in society at all. I put $16 aside

FOR FOUR TICKETS,

and Julia took the rest, and went up town, and bought herself some white cashmere for a burnous, and some ribbon to tie it at the neck. She was to wear her pink silk which she had bought for a party-dress last winter. Aramantha, as you know, is younger, and she had decided upon the white Swiss graduating dress which she had last summer when she left school, and the cashmere talma I then bought her. I intended to wear my garnet-moire, thread shawl, and the diamonds Bartholomew gave me when we were married, and which, now we have no carriage, I so seldom get a chance to wear. We were going to pin up our dresses, wrap ourselves up, and go democratically in a 'bus, with Fred to escort us. We felt sure, after what you said, that Mr. McVicker would have the crush-rooms ready. Julia was already studying how to dress her hair, and congratulating herself that the blush-rose which she had raised from a dime-plant would have two or three blossoms ready for her by the DI Morska night, while Aramantha took the fruit-size from out her last summer's bonnet, that she might have them to dress her hair with and wear at her throat. Just

FANCY OUR DISAPPOINTMENT

when Sunday's paper announced that Maretzek and his troupe were not coming! We could all have cried with vexation. The news didn't reach Milwaukee until Wednesday, so Bartholomew said, and he came home to-day, but didn't seem inclined to say much, and hadn't bought any beer to bring home, as he thought it would spoil my transportation. He dropped his memorandum-book, and the following items, noted on an envelope, piece of paper, slipped from it:

Sealskin coat	$250
Cap and gloves	30
Boots	15
Silks, etc., etc.	50
Traveling-bag	50
Sundries	25
Traveling expenses, etc.	125
Total	$545

I handed it to him without saying anything, though I must admit I wanted to; but the poor man

LOOKED SO SHEEPISH,

when he found the opera didn't come after all, that I hadn't the heart to add the last feather. I think next year he will stay at home and take 6s, as he always has done; and I don't know but what I am very glad that he tried the buying of inexpensive beer.

With many thanks for your suggestions about the water-proofs that so nicely protect our clothing, and the light wrap for the head, I would assure you that I feel fully capable of it, for last year I spent $40 for evening bonnets for Julia and myself, besides spoiling my velvet cloak, partly from some rain-spots, and partly from sitting on it and crushing it. Yours very truly, MRS. BARTHOLOMEW BROWN.

The above letter speaks for itself. In regard to our own position, we very much fear that we shall again have to go

IN SEARCH OF FASHION-ITEMS,

interrogate our friends in New York, and weary our Paris correspondents with questions as to what is newest and most recherche; while, at the same time, we must use our ingenuity to show those who are not largely favored by Fortune how to "ruffle it with the best of them." Still, if the Public insists, we are amenable to reason, and would gladly rest from our weary toil on $50,000 a year. A. D. H.

THE PARIS OPERA-HOUSE.

Details of Its Burning—Remarkable Street-Scenes.

The fact of the burning of the Opera-House of Paris has already been telegraphed. The following are the details as published in the Paris correspondence of the London *Telegraph* of Oct. 30. The writer, who lived opposite the Opera, was awakened at 2 a. m. He says:

"I rushed to the window, whence the first glance seemed to corroborate my original fear that it was indeed the not yet completed edifice which had fallen a premature victim to the destroyer of all the theatres. For the gigantic gilded groups on the summit of the edifice glowed with a ruddy hue that betokened the near presence of the fire-god; but strangest of strange phenomena, while these colossal figures shone with a fearful glory, all about them was in almost absolute darkness. The forms seemed to be floating down from the skies like the angels in one of Martin's pictures. The upper stories of the Grand Hotel were marked by a thin streak of reflected light, but there was none of that ruddiness in the sky which usually accompanies a large fire. Once in the street, and the corner of the Boulevard turned, there was no longer any trouble of the direction in which the conflagration lay, or of its magnitude. The wind suddenly had veered around to the east, and the air became all at once filled with the golden fire which is often made use of in pyrotechnics. Looking along the Boulevard des Italiens, I remarked that the high white wall on the north side of the Boulevard Montmartre shone out of the comparative darkness around, and that a huge mass of fiery smoke was being blown high above the Café Riche. The alarm was well founded, and the Academie de Musique was indeed on fire. The boulevards were encumbered by no crowd, and as we neared the Rue Lafitte the broad roadway was absolutely deserted. We at first attributed this singular want of curiosity to the rain of fire which fell at this point, which made it decidedly unpleasant, if not dangerous, to confront the storm. For the fragments that fell in a broad continuous stream were of large size, and they leaped from *trottoir* to roadway under the pressure of a powerful wind.

"But it was not fear of the fiery fragments so much as dread of being impressed into the chain that kept the place so deserted. Every now and then some rash *curieux* would venture too near, and ever and anon the police would glide noiselessly to the corner of some thoroughfare, there form a *cordon*, and catch all idlers as in a net. Then would occur a rush for an outlet, and the police did not hesitate to trip up, knock down, or seize by main force, any who tried to escape. At an English fire the great difficulty is to keep people off; in France, the difficulty is to get them near and to make them work. At every street abutting on the fire on all four sides it was the same story—the police called the people *raquins citoyens* for trying to avoid lending a hand, and the people ran as if for their lives whenever there was a chain to be formed to pass the buckets from the water-pipe to the engine. Every minute you heard the strange horn that calls the firemen together, and every minute a little bit of an engine, looking ludicrously like a garden watering-machine, was hurried along by a small posse of firemen on foot. There was, unhappily, a great lack of water, and the small jets, even when they were well directed, had no perceptible effect on the blazing timber that crackled up, throwing myriads of sparks into the bright, clear, cold air. From the northern side of the theatre, going down to it from the Rue Lafayette, the effect was magnificent. The outside wall was at this moment intact, but through the apertures where windows had been the fire blazed behind just like a huge furnace, the roaring of the flames and the crash of falling walls making up a scene of awful grandeur, which I shall never forget. To take another illustration from the theatre itself it reminded one of the peep into Pandemonium in the scene of the Cross in 'Robert le Diable.' The fire was discovered at about 11 o'clock to-night in the garderobe of the theatre. There has been no performance to-night; but there has been a rehearsal—the first of 'Jeanne d'Arc.'

It is a curious fact that the piece performed at the last representation at this opera house was the "Prophete," which ends with a conflagration.

The latest particulars in reference to the conflagration at the Grand Opera state that the chief portion of the building, including the auditorium, the stage, the saloon, and the scenery warehouse, was totally burned down. The greater portion of the walls on one side have fallen in, and the only parts of the edifice now uninjured are the wardrobes and treasury, which were on the Rue Dronot side. The adjoining houses have not suffered any damage.

One life has been lost—that of a fireman named Ballet, who, when his comrades were going to the Bourse station to obtain water, got astride on a wall near the Passage de l'Opera to tear away some combustible material. The wall, already mined by the fire, gave way with him, and he was precipitated from a great height into the flames, uttering as he fell a piercing cry.

A LOST DAY.

I have lost a day!
A day full of beauty and bloom:
It is gone, and its sacred perfume
Is dying away.

In a trance, as I lay
By my casement, I saw, through the mist,—
Saw it slip through the Gates of the West—
Lost—lost!—and for aye!

Was it Fate?
Up I sprang, as from Lethean sleep;
But I wakened only to weep—
'Twas too late!

I had slept
While the splendor and bloom floated past,
And left but a desert, so vast
That I wept.

Never more
Most beautiful Day, will thy gold
Flow over my path, as of old,—
Never more!

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The Chicago Tribune.

Sunday Morning, November 23, 1873.

THE VIRGINIUS AND THE ALABAMA.

There is a wild fury in certain quarters as to the Virginius affair, and a howling for war without reference to provocation or international law. Alexander H. Stephens, old and feeble, goes to Washington from Georgia to raise his voice for war, because he thinks it will be a bond of reunion between the North and the South. S. S. Cox, young and vigorous, goes back to Congress from New York with a set of eloquent resolutions in his pocket, calculated to fire the heart of the Democracy. Newspaper editors from Maine to Florida have put on their war-paint, and are eager for the fray. To-day we hear that the Spaniards at Madrid are roused to resentment at the warlike front that America presents, and so our wrath is heightened and intensified. The next day comes the news that the Virginius was duly cleared as an American vessel, and that her papers were "regular," and it is immediately concluded that this was the only point in dispute, and that we now have the right to go ahead. The fact is that we are getting the capture of the Virginius and the execution of Capt. Fry and his crew mixed up.

It is now believed at the State Department that the registry papers of the Virginius were regular, and that she was captured on the high seas while sailing as an American vessel. If this turns out to be true, we do not see that it affects the present status of the case. The papers of the Alabama were equally regular. Suppose a United States man-of-war had captured the Alabama somewhere on the high seas between Liverpool and Madeira, on her first voyage, does any one suppose that Great Britain would have demanded reparation? Or, if Great Britain had so far stultified herself as to make such a demand, does any one suppose that the people of the United States would have regarded it as worth the paper it was written on? This is the only way in which the people of the United States can put themselves in the place of the Spanish people. It is the only way in which the sentiment of the Spanish people can be properly judged. The Alabama was a British ship, cleared in British waters, sailed under a British flag, and carried a British registry, so long as it suited her purpose. Had we captured her in this condition, we would have scouted any demand of the British Government for her surrender. It is true that we would not have executed all on board, our rules of humanity being of a different and higher type than those of Spain; but this does not alter the case, and does not enter into the present question. The Virginius occupied toward the Cuban Rebels precisely the same position which the Alabama, on her first voyage, occupied toward the American Rebels. Though cleared under American papers, she was fitted out to carry contraband of war to the Cuban insurgents,—arms, ammunition, and Spanish subjects in rebellion against the Government. The character of the Virginius was well understood in New York, and equally well understood in Cuba, where she was awaited alike by the Spanish authorities and the insurgents. For the depredations of the Alabama, similarly fitted out in a British port, we claimed damages, and received $15,000,000, after an arbitration agreed upon by both nations, because Great Britain did not use due diligence in stopping her when notified of her character. It is possible that Spain may have a claim against us for allowing the Virginius to sail from New York, but we can hardly insist upon a concession from her for capturing the Virginius, when we used our utmost endeavors to intercept the Alabama before she reached the Island of Madeira, where she threw off her disguises.

The only perceptible difference between the Alabama case and the Virginius affair is that the belligerency of the American Rebels had been acknowledged, while that of the Cuban Rebels has not been acknowledged. Failure to accord belligerent rights to the Cubans is our own fault, if it be a fault, and cannot now be pleaded to enhance the enormity of the offense committed by Spain. If it be the law that filibustering vessels carrying aid to rebels not recognized as belligerents cannot be molested on the high seas, then a neutral Power may always reserve to itself the right of fitting out hostile ships by refusing to recognize rebels as belligerents, and the friends of *Cuba Libre* have been guilty of a serious error in clamoring for recognition. The question of belligerency evidently cuts no figure in this case, if the Virginius was in fact a Rebel ship, sailing under the American flag, and with American papers merely as a cover and a fraud.

Our *casus belli* thus becomes reduced, as ex-President Woolsey says, to one of common humanity, in which England, France, and Germany ought to take the same interest as the United States. Capt. Fry, in his eloquent protest on behalf of some of his crew, made a few hours before his death, dwelt on the hardship of capital punishment as applied to blockade-runners, representing that no execution had ever taken place for this offense, and claiming that he and his comrades were ignorant that the Spanish law authorized it. But, if this is the Spanish law, and the prisoners were captured on a Rebel ship, what right have we as a nation to undertake to annul it, except on the broad ground of humanity? The execution of Capt. Fry and his crew is not the first, nor even an isolated, instance of the brutality barbarity of Spanish warfare. Other nations have been equally savage at other times. It is not worse than the execution of the Archbishop of Paris and a number of priests under the French Commune. America did not interfere then, nor did England, nor Germany. Capt. Fry and his fellow-Americans forfeited their rights as American citizens when they joined the Cuban rebels, and they became amenable to Spanish law if apprehended. If the barbarities practiced on both sides in Cuba call for the active interference of civilized nations, then let us, as the nearest neighbor, organize the project, and call upon other civilized nations to join in such action. But let us not stultify ourselves as a nation by setting up demands which we should not allow a foreign nation to make upon us under similar circumstances.

THE FALL OF TWEED.

The fate which has at last overtaken "Boss" Tweed is not only the legitimate sequel to the life which he has led, but it will serve to "restore confidence" among many persons who had begun to doubt whether there was any superiority in virtue over vice, and whether pinchbeck might not be better than gold after all. Fate has moved slowly but very surely, and nearly all those who shared their ill-gotten gains with Tweed have paid the penalty, one way or another. Fisk went to his own place at the hands of the assassin, and his memory even has almost dropped into obscurity. Stokes, his murderer, is in the Penitentiary. Mansfield is a wandering harlot, whom each year brings nearer to the gutter. Barnard was impeached, ruined, and driven from the Bench. Cardozo resigned to save himself from impeachment. McCunn died of remorse for what he had done, and in terror of the consequences. Ingersoll is under arrest, and must soon take his trial. Oakey Hall has dropped from his high position into utter obscurity. Sweeny has fled from New York, and is living in retirement. The places which knew them once shall know them no more forever.

Of all the members of this once powerful Ring, the fall of Tweed has been the most impressive. The others were but satellites which revolved about him. He was intrenched behind a fortune and power, which not only he, but every one else, supposed to be impregnable. His retainers were in every public office in New York City; and so great was his strength that, even after the proofs of his vast knavery were piled up mountain high, he could still beat down the moral elements of the community and all other elements which were antagonistic to him, and get himself elected to the State Senate by a large majority. He deemed himself so unassailable and sure in his position, with his control of politics and his wonderful grasp on Wall street, that he never took the trouble to deny the accusations made against him, but uniformly asked his accusers: "What are you going to do about it?" With his paid army of 16,000 retainers and his captains in power, he was the master of the ballot-box by force where it would succeed, and by fraud where it would not. The city and county officers alike had to pay tribute to him, and no contractor could obtain a job who did not provide for Tweed. In the financial world, his power was equally great. In Wall street, on Fisk's Black Friday, everything was in confusion and uproar. Injunctions flew this way and that, like a bunch of rockets accidentally ignited. The whole street was demoralized, and operators were seized with a sudden paralysis, because "Boss" Tweed happened to be absent from the city that day.

With his clutches upon the ballot-box, upon the courts, upon the Erie Railway, upon the city and county offices, which paid him an annual tithe, and upon the contractors, who had to pay him for their contracts, and with the aid of his thousands of followers who stood ready to do his bidding, whatever it might be, he accumulated an immense fortune. In his elegant Fifth avenue mansion, he lived in royal state upon the money stolen from the tax-payers; but "what were they to do about it?" He flaunted his gold and his diamonds in their faces, and rode through the streets of New York in his dashing equipage, monarch of all he surveyed, Emperor of Embezzlement and Prince of Plunder. When his daughter was married, he gave an entertainment such as the Shah of Persia might have given. Bride and bridegroom were showered with flowers, and pearls, and diamonds. His retinue of followers and others who wished to preserve his good will added to the barbaric display with gold and silver, purple and fine linen. Although the respectable society of New York were not there, the respectable society were paying for the dazzling display. And what were they going to do about it? Go to the courts? The courts were Tweed's. To the polls? The ballot-boxes were Tweed's. To Wall street? That was Tweed's. Appeal to the City Government? That was filled with Tweed's creatures. To every charge, every appeal, every protest, came the mocking answer: "What are you going to do about it?"

At last, the outraged community found what they were going to do about it, and did it. They commenced upon the creatures of Tweed, not upon Tweed himself, and, as one after the other was overthrown, the power of Tweed grew weaker and weaker. Stripped of his paid retainers, his speculators, his corrupt Judges, his ballot-box-stuffers, and his dishonest contractors, it was, at last, possible to reach the Head-Centre, and at last he too has been hurled headlong. Convicted on some 200 counts, in an indictment any one of which demands imprisonment in the Penitentiary, it is no wonder that his brazen countenance blanched when the verdict was announced to him. It is possible yet that Tweed's money may save him from the Penitentiary. But even should that gross outrage be perpetrated, it still remains a fact of record that Tweed is a convicted felon. What is he going to do about it? This great Ring is at last completely broken. Those who are not in their graves are in the Penitentiary. Those who are not in the Penitentiary are in obscurity. What are they going to do about it?

The recent death of Mrs. Orle, in Boston, while under the influence of anæsthetics during dental treatment, is now undergoing medical investigation, the result of which will be awaited with great interest. At present it is impossible to state just how far the anæsthetics employed caused her death, as the dentist who was treating Mrs. Orle used a mixture of ether and chloroform. The general opinion of the profession for a long time has been unfavorable to the use of chloroform, from the fact that it has many times caused death, where a fatal result could not in any way have been anticipated, and even when it was administered with great caution. On the other hand, it is claimed that the surgical use of ether cannot be fatal under any circumstances. The mixture of the two, in this instance, complicates the case, but still the two anæsthetics have been in use long enough, and sufficient statistics have been collected, to satisfactorily determine their effects. As this case is in the hands of some of the best surgeons and medical men in the country, their decision ought to satisfactorily solve the problem.

THE MAYOR'S BILL AND THE SPRINGFIELD RING.

The Springfield papers are now threatening that there shall be no legislation for Chicago unless Chicago pays the taxes levied on her to liquidate the local debts of other municipalities in the State. The *Register* says that the Mayor's bill, which expires in March, 1874, is a proper bill in itself, and seems "to give no more power (to the Mayor) than he needs, if he is to be held to the responsibility which should properly attach to the Chief Executive of so large and important a city as Chicago." It thinks that the bill might properly be re-enacted, but that Chicago can get no legislation so long as she refuses to submit to whatever taxes the Auditor and Board of Equalization may impose on her. In other words, the knife is to be held to the throat of Chicago to enforce the demand for payment. What is it that is demanded, and to which this county objects?

Certain towns, villages, and counties in this State, some years ago, permitted themselves to be seduced, or compelled by fraud, to issue municipal bonds to be paid over to certain railroad companies. These bonds in the aggregate amount to over $13,000,000. Of this debt, over eleven millions of dollars are recorded in the Auditor's office at Springfield. These bonds, whether honestly or fraudulently obtained, were given in exchange for capital stock in the railroads; but the railroads having been mortgaged away, or perpetually leased, the stock is rendered valueless. The annual interest on these bonds exceeds a million of dollars, and the people of the several towns have generally assumed a tone of hostility, and some have absolutely refused to pay any more interest on the bonds. The bonds have, therefore, become discredited, and, as might be expected, the holders had little expectation that a people who would refuse to pay the interest would even take pains to pay the principal, and, therefore, rightfully argued that, unless the State assumed the debt, the bonds would cease to have any value. They, therefore, combined (holding $11,000,000 of bonds bearing an average rate of 9 per cent interest) to obtain indirectly what the Constitution directly prohibits. They invoked the Grab law of 1869; the Auditor ordered an increased assessment, and the Board of Equalization transferred $160,000,000 of taxable values from the State at large to Chicago. The law of the State authorized the Auditor to levy such a rate of tax on the total valuation of property in the State as would produce $1,000,000 for school purposes, and $2,500,000 for State purposes. All that he was authorized to collect was the aggregate of these two sums, or $3,500,000. In addition to these sums, however, he has levied a rate of tax to produce $4,829,805. Omitting the special levy for schools, he has presented a rate of tax for revenue purposes which will produce $3,622,353, instead of the $2,500,000 authorized by law, leaving an excess of levy of $1,122,353. The purpose of this excessive levy of eleven hundred thousand dollars for revenue is frankly stated, and declared to be to pay the interest on the more than eleven millions of dollars of county and town bonds issued in aid of railways. Of this $1,100,000 extra tax levied to pay the interest on these railroad-aid bonds, Chicago has to pay not only her proportion upon the real valuation of her taxable property, but also upon the $160,000,000 of extra values transferred to her tax-list.

Chicago objects to paying this tax on several grounds:

1. That it is illegal to levy a tax for State purposes and apply the money to any other purpose.

2. That it is unjust, illegal, and unfair to tax Chicago to pay the interest on the municipal debts of Springfield, Bloomington, and Quincy.

3. That the illegal, arbitrary, and unjust increase of the assessment of property in this county, by which 100 per cent was added to the tax, is such a deliberate discrimination against Chicago that submission to it now is but to invite still further aggressions in the future. For these reasons, Chicago proposes to pay no part of the tax levied for this illegal end until the Courts shall say we must. Because we will not submit to be taxed to pay the interest and principal on $11,000,000 of swindling bonds issued by other municipalities, and owned by a ring of speculators at Springfield, we are now threatened, through the bondholders' organ, with practical exclusion from the legislation of the State. Let us see how we come out! Perhaps the people of Illinois, who are in like manner, though not equally, swindled, will tamely submit to the insolence of the bondholding ring. We shall see in due time.

CHICAGO TRADE.

A few years ago, Cincinnati won the proud title of "Porkopolis," and the residents of that quiet and pleasant city grunted with supreme satisfaction over the distinction. Then St. Louis grew ambitious and envious, and made herculean efforts to clean out the Augean hog-pens of Cincinnati and set them up on the banks of the Mississippi. Then Kansas City put forth her youthful energies, organized gigantic stockyards and slaughter-houses, and proposed to try conclusions with both Cincinnati and St. Louis. In the meantime, Chicago pursued the even tenor of its progressive way, and one bright day Kansas City, St. Louis, and Cincinnati woke up to the startling realization that Chicago, in some mysterious and surreptitious manner, had captured nearly all the hogs in the West and Northwest, and was rapidly converting them into pork with which to terrify the Jews of Hamburg and Bremen, into bacon to delight the hearts of the Liverpool draymen, and into hams to feed the grateful people of the world from Rotterdam to Venezuela. This was the condition of things before the panic, and the panic made it worse than ever, as far as St. Louis and Cincinnati are concerned. The hogs of the country made a perfect stampede for Chicago. This city became the Mecca of all porcine pilgrimages. Big hogs and little pigs, fat porkers and lean, whole families of conservative swine, deserted their meal-troughs, raised their voices, curled their tails, and migrated to Chicago. THE TRIBUNE of yesterday gave some statistics of this unparalleled march of the pork tribe. For the week ending yesterday, more than double the number of hogs came into Chicago that came in the corresponding week of last year. In the preceding four weeks, more than 40 per cent; in the last three months, twice as many as in the same three months of 1871, and more than a third more than in the same three months of 1872. The total number of hogs that came to Chicago in the year 1872 was 3,488,528; the receipts of this year will probably reach half a million more; and it is intimated that Chicago handles as many hogs now as St. Louis and Cincinnati put together.

The new and forcible impetus given to the hog-trade of Chicago in the very midst of the panic was due to the fact that this city alone was able to furnish the necessary funds to handle the stock. Chicago did not go into the loan-certificate business, for one thing, as did Cincinnati and St. Louis, and the banks were always in a condition to advance money to their legitimate patrons. The Chicago pork-packers, for another thing, had confidence in their ability to handle the trade, and went on to sell even when things looked bluest, thus making profits that enabled them to secure money wherever it was to be obtained. More than this, the pork-packers of Chicago make a business of it, and do not allow funds to be diverted into speculative channels at such times of the year when they are not actively engaged in packing. Last year, they had a capital of about $3,000,000 in the business, and to this they added last year's profits, which amounted to not less than $1,250,000. The result was that they started in this year with a *bona fide* capital of more than $4,000,000, with the additional advantage that it was available, while the capital of other cities was not. These are some of the reasons why the hog-trade of Chicago increased so amazingly during the panic, while business of every kind was falling off elsewhere.

The increase in Chicago's hog-trade is not owing to any increase in hog-raising, but to the diversion of the trade from other cities. This is attested by the fact that, notwithstanding the steady increase of stock, the prices have risen with equal uniformity. If the increase of Chicago's trade were due to a general increase, the reverse would occur, and prices would fall. There is no danger but that Chicago will be able to retain all the surplus of trade that has come to us since the panic set in. Aside from our central advantages, and the ample facilities for handling and killing, the hog-raisers of the country now understand that the money awaits them in Chicago even when they can get it nowhere else; and that is the sort of city with which they prefer to do business.

Whatever else may be said about Capt. Fry, the commanding officer of the ill-fated Virginius, it must be admitted that he met his fate at the hands of the Spanish butchers like a brave-hearted gentleman. His demeanor under the circumstances shows that the days of knightly gallantry are not yet entirely passed away. In his last statements he has no regrets for his own fate, and wastes no time in appealing for mercy for himself. Upon this point he only says:

> The Consul knows well that I am not pleading for my own life. I have not prayed to God for it, nor even to the Blessed Mother. I have neither home nor country,—a victim of war and persecution, the avenues to the securing of property being closed to me to such a point that I have not been able to provide bread for my wife and seven children, who know what it is to suffer for the necessaries of life. My life is one of suffering, and I look upon what has happened to me as a benefit of God, and it is not for me, therefore, to ask favors of any one.

Utterly ignoring himself, his only solicitude is for his crew, who have been guilty of no offense except of working for him in navigating his vessel, and begs that his blood may be sufficient for those who had no knowledge of the crime charged upon them. With any others less brutal than the Spanish butchers, his appeal would have had influence. In his own words, they would at least have identified the victims whom they were about to sacrifice. But they were shot, and he also. Whether he were guilty of a crime or not, he at least died like a brave man and a gentleman, without a single murmur, pleading with his last words for the lives of others, and commending his soul to God. Such instances of chivalric bravery and disinterestedness are too rare nowadays to pass unnoticed.

Cincinnati is in trouble over her Public Library. The Librarian, Mr. Poole, having accepted the office tendered him in Chicago, the question of appointing his successor became of importance. The Library Board nominated the Rev. Thomas Vickers. This nomination was communicated to the Board of Education to be confirmed, but was not acted on. In the meantime, there is a lively discussion going on concerning Mr. Vickers,—the *Gazette* and *Enquirer* both opposing and the *Commercial* supporting his nomination. Mr. Vickers is conceded to be a man of great ability, is a linguist, and is intellectually competent. He is, however, an extreme man in polemics. He is a Unitarian minister, and a little farther removed from Evangelical notions than the majority even of his own sect. He led vigorously in the war for the exclusion of the Bible from the public schools, and in the complete secularization of the schools. He is denounced by his opponents, and especially by the religious press, as little better than an atheist. He is supported by all those of liberal thoughts and feelings who do not understand what a Librarian has to do, officially, with religion, nor how his own opinions on that matter can affect the proper discharge of his duty in receiving, preserving, and delivering the books of a public library. There is, however, a general regret in Cincinnati at the retirement of Mr. Poole.

From the northwestern part of Iowa comes a cry of suffering which ought to be heeded. A large settlement of persons, from various causes, find themselves, even thus early in the season, in absolute destitution. These people settled upon homesteads, and are suffering for want of bread, fuel, and clothing. It is difficult for us to take in at once the picture of a community of people perishing by starvation. In the rich abundance of all kinds of food in the Northwest, it does seem strange that any body of people should die from want of bread. Yet such is the case. No man will refuse a dollar or a pound of meal to feed these perishing families in Iowa.

The Baltimore *American* states that the Low-Church people of that city regret exceedingly the course adopted by Bishop Cummins, while the High-Church party rejoice at the retirement of one who never seemed to regard the ministry of their Church as any higher authority than that of non-Episcopal bodies. The same paper states that the resignation of the Bishop is but part of a scheme devised just prior to the General Convention of the Church in 1871. This scheme had for its object the alteration of the prayer-book to suit the extreme views of the Low Church: it further contemplated a secession from the Church as soon as one or more Bishops would take part therein, so as to secure the "Episcopal Succession," which is deemed, even by the Low-Churchmen, as of great importance. It is further stated, that Bishop Cummins, as long ago as 1871, approached Bishop McIlvaine, of Ohio, with the proposition that the Evangelicals should withdraw from the Church and set up a new ecclesiastical organization. Though Bishop McIlvaine sympathized with the Evangelicals, and was considered their leader, he refused to give any countenance to the scheme.

Another Tichborne case has developed itself in Paris, which, in its general outlines, has a very close resemblance to the English case. The facts are as follows: A wealthy widow of that city had a son, who, after a long career of dissipation, entered the army. He disappeared in 1870, and was not heard of again until 1872, when his mother received a letter from an army officer informing her that a private soldier, who, from papers in his possession, must be her son, had been wounded in the head, taken prisoner, and sent to Prussia. The overjoyed mother sent for her son, who returned fearfully disfigured and partially insane. His condition was so horrible that she failed to recognize him, and refused to receive him. In this refusal she was encouraged by her nephews, who were the next heirs to her immense wealth, and who went so far as to have the son arrested for forgery and false pretenses. Not being completely restored to health, he was sent to an insane asylum, where he recovered completely, both in body and mind. He then wrote to his mother, who came to see him. During the interview he made known matters concerning his childhood which no one else could have known, and which resulted in his mother's openly acknowledging him as her son. The nephews, however, refused to believe it, and have continued the suit, which is now pending in Paris.

The rule of San Francisco is, When you see a Chinaman, hit him, and it seems likely to be adopted elsewhere as the peaceful and imperturbable Asiatic makes his way eastward. When the census of 1870 was taken, there were only two Chinamen found in Illinois; now Chicago can point to enough of them to run twently laundries, and report an occasional instance of San Francisco "bouncing." Yesterday, a Chinaman had the temerity to present a bill to a coffee-house keeper, and received a bloody nose in consequence. A policeman was called upon, but disdained to make an arrest of a white man for simply pummeling a Chinaman. We object to the spread of San Francisco ruffianism in the treatment of these people. So far as Chicago is concerned, Chinamen have shown themselves to be as inoffensive and peaceable as any race on the globe, and there is no law or custom which guarantees immunity for abusing them. There is no reason why ragamuffins should howl after them, or why the *gamins* should pelt them, or why competitors in business should try to run them out, or why a creditor should punch their heads if they dare to present a bill. The police must understand that it is their duty to protect law-abiding Chinamen as well as other people.

At last, Andy Johnson has discovered a mission in life. He has obtained a patent for a combination plane. The details of the patent have not yet been stated, but, as the plane is a combination one, it is not altogether impossible that he may be able to swing round a circle with it.

FOOLS.

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> Be tolerant to fools.—*Marcus Aurelius.*

Why is it that fools are laughed at, even by kind-hearted men? Is not the lack of brains a misfortune to be pitied rather than sneered at by those who are better endowed? Is intellectual deficiency or deformity less entitled to our commiseration than physical? Pascal has answered these questions in his usual acute way. "Whence is it," he asks, "that a lame man does not offend us, while the crippled in mind does offend us? It is because the lame man acknowledges that we walk straight; whereas the crippled in mind maintain that it is we who go lame. But for this, we should feel more compassion for them than resentment." The same profound thinker tells us, however, in another place, that man is necessarily so much of a fool, that it would be a species of folly not to be a fool,—a comforting theory to the stupid, for if wisdom is attainable only through foolishness, who is more to be congratulated than he who has scaled the dizziest peaks of folly, the fool *par excellence*?

Whatever may be the reason, we confess we have a kindly feeling for fools. Like Charles Lamb, we love to discover a streak of folly in a man; we venerate an honest obliquity of understanding. The more laughable blunders a man commits in your company, the more toots he gives you that he is not sly, snaky, and hypocritical—that he is not, while whispering honeyed words in your ear, playing some subtle, treacherous game to overreach you. That fools are happy beings, all will admit. It is the empty vessel that has a merry ring; the open eye that weeps. It is the great fault of the present age that it is overwise,—that it is too transcendentally sapient for its own comfort. We analyze our food, hunting for adulterations, till we almost dread to eat for fear of being poisoned. We put microscopes to our eyes, and cannot drink for fear of animalcules. We investigate and pry into the foundations of our beliefs till we become universal skeptics, and are positive only that we are positive of nothing. Instead of enjoying the sweet of life as it comes up, and finding a heart to laugh at the bitter, we are continually racking our brains to provide for some future dreaded contingency, letting the flower and quintessence of life escape ere we are ready to enjoy it. We are always preparing for a "rainy day," or some calamity that may break upon us like a thunderbolt. It is even rare to hear any man laugh now-a-days, at least with the careless, ringing laugh of folly; nobody gives care to the winds long enough for such an outburst of merriment; everywhere we find that the happy, simple-hearted fool of olden times is extinct, and that the race of calculators and economists have succeeded. The schoolmaster is now abroad, and there are few persons in these intensely intellectual days who sympathise with gentle Elia's affection for the fool. "I love a fool," says he, "as naturally as if I were kith and kin to him. When a child, with childlike apprehensions, that dived not below the surface of the matter, I read those *Parables*,—not guessing at the involved wisdom—I had more yearnings towards that simple architect that built his house upon the sand, than I entertained for his more cautious neighbor, I grudged at the hard censure pronounced at the quiet soul that kept his talent. . . . I never have made an acquaintance since that lasted, or a friendship that answered, with any that had not some tincture of the absurd in their characters. And take my word for this, reader, and say a fool told it you, if you please, that he who had not a dram of folly in his mixture, had pounds of much worse matter in his composition."

It may seem paradoxical to maintain that fools are a blessing to society; but a little reflection will teach us a large charity for them—will show that they are essential to its very existence. They are the cyphers of the community, without which the social problem could not be worked out.

What, for example, would be the result, if, whenever a new doctrine is propounded in science, we were all profound thinkers, capable of tracing out all its logical consequences? The world would be in an uproar, and harmony would be an impossibility. Why are men of science often so exceedingly sensitive to some apparently-unimportant attack upon one of their minor conclusions? Is it not because they are accustomed to logical methods, and know that if you touch the remotest outwork of their doctrine you send a shock to the very centre of their systems? "Be heretical in the most trifling inference from mathematical investigation, and it is at once evident," says a writer, "that you must come into conflict with the fundamental axioms on which the whole science reposes. We are tolerant only because we are stupid. We allow the enemy to open some very remote back door, because it is so very small, and we do not see that we have admitted him as effectually as if we had flung the main gates wide open. If we had only known in time how much trouble early physical inquirers were bringing into the world, how many controversies they were introducing, what a biting acid they were pouring upon the consolidated doctrines of ages, we should have sprung upon them and strangled them at their birth. We are amazed that Galileo should have been persecuted for asserting the motion of the earth; but if his judges had caught some dim glimpse of the harvest that was to spring from that little seed of heresy, of the tremendous explosion that would follow when the spark had fairly set fire to the train, they would have trampled it out more carefully than we should try to check the speed of the most deadly contagion." Is it not evident, then, that we live in peace with each other only because we are stupid,—that, but for this lucky fact, we should be burning everybody who disagreed with us?

Again, fools make the best reformers. What would be the condition of the world, if it had no men of one idea,—men who view every subject from a single stand-point, and are dominated by one single purpose, regarding all others as trivial,—it is easy to see. Could we lift the veil, and discern all the consequences of a single change in the world's constitution, we should all be conservatives. It is not the men of broad and comprehensive vision, whose horizon of thought embraces many objects and objections, that project and push through great plans of reform. It is the mole-eyed man, who has brooded over a single truth till it overshadows his whole mental horizon, that makes the best reformer. Such a person is tormented by none of the doubts that distract and cripple the profound thinker. Wasting no time in deliberation, he cuts the knots which he cannot untie, and, overleaping all logical preliminaries, comes at once to a conclusion. Having got hold of an idea, he never bothers his brains with objections, but goes at once to making proselytes, satisfied that to procure its adoption is the one thing essential to insure the millennium. For example, his panacea may be ventilation; and, viewing all other conceivable things in its relations to ventilation, he may be content to spend his life like a miner, in continual working at one narrow subterranean gallery; but he generally, by his persistence, gains his end, and the world is benefited by his toils.

Again, fools are absolutely necessary to make society endurable. There is a disposition in our day to worship great men. Hero-worship, is, indeed, the mania of the age. We are in danger of being tyrannized over by clever men. A man of erratic talents is called a genius, and a hundred follies and even vices are excused in him, while his honest neighbor who startles society by no freaks or extravagances, and can boast only of good sense, is sneered at as "slow." Yet in the vast majority of cases the man of brilliant talents is infinitely less useful than the man of common sense. All the great departments of practical life are filled with "slow and sure," rather than with smart men. Our best merchants, statesmen, Generals, Judges, are plain men, not men of genius. God never intended that clever men should monopolize everything; He did not make the world for clever men only. Doubtless a certain number of men of genius are necessary to every age and country. They are the very guano of the exhausted State. But no sensible farmer thinks of smothering his field with guano. Make the air all oxygen, and who could breathe it? Brilliant men are well enough occasionally, but who wants to be always staring at pyrotechnics? Mediocrity is, after all, the best thing in life. The tasteless commonplaces are the standards,—bread and water, and good, dull, steady people. To make social intercourse profitable, there must be an oportunity for perfect relaxation. The great charm of the best society is the absence of all effort to sparkle and astonish. The most wearisome people are the De Staels and "conversation-sharps," who are always saying brilliant things—who feel like Titus, "I have lost a moment!" if they suffer a fraction of time to pass unenriched by a fine saying. Nothing tires so soon as unvaried sprightliness, unshaded mirth, and brilliancy unrelieved. It is like dining eternally off capsicum, peppercorns, and jams. One wearies, as did the French abbe, of *toujours perdriz*. We would as soon lodge over a powder-magazine as live with a man of genius. We would rather have water than nectar for a steady drink,—bread and butter than ambrosia for our daily food. In nature the most useful things are the most common. Water, air, bread, are cheap and plentiful. Leaves and grass are neither of crimson nor of gold color, but plain, sober green. "When a boy," says a writer, "I often made fireworks. Once, in compounding a set of squibs, I forgot to mix up with the positives of saltpetre and gunpowder the negative of pounded charcoal; and, in firing them off, each consisted of but one explosion, bright, no doubt, but transient also, and dangerous withal; while the squibs which were rightly mixed up were both bright and sparkling, too, and much more lasting; besides, they did not scorch me. Dull men are to society what charcoal is to squibs."

THE NATIONAL BANKRUPT LAW.

The Bankrupt law of England has existed since the days of Henry VIII.; and there a crude and imperfect statute at the first has been perfected and adapted to the wants of the people by successive amendments. France and Holland have laws very similar in their general provisions to the law of England. Almost every country—we believe, every one in Europe—has its Bankrupt law, the provisions being as different as are the other laws, manners, and customs of the different countries.

The Bankrupt law now in operation in the United States was approved by the President March 2, 1867, and went into operation, according to its provisions, on the 1st day of June, 1867. It has consequently been in operation longer than any previous law of a similar nature in this country,—and perhaps it has now reached that period when it may be said to be fairly on its trial. The adjudications of the courts having settled many doubtful questions, and its leading principles being pretty generally understood by the commercial community, we may, therefore, examine the law in the light of

SIX YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

and judicial construction. Prior to 1869, discharges were issued to debtors in every case, regardless of the amount of assets,—the only bar to a discharge being fraud, actual or legal. The voluntary proceedings during this period had but little influence on the laws or commercial customs of the country. A large number of unfortunate debtors were discharged from their liabilities. Many of these were men of large business capacity and experience. This capacity and experience were, by their discharges, made available in business channels, and the country probably received more benefit from this source than loss from the cancelation of indebtedness, as probably not the one-hundredth part of the entire canceled debt would ever have been collectable; and it is safe to assume that more than this proportion will yet be paid by the discharged debtors voluntarily, as they become able—many of them still considering themselves morally bound to pay. But the provisions of the law under which these proceedings were had are practically obsolete. Debtors may still be discharged from their debts contracted prior to Jan. 1, 1869. But most debts of this class have been long since canceled. A debtor cannot now be discharged without surrendering to the Assignee assets at least equal to

FIFTY PER CENTUM

of the debts proved against his estate, or procuring the written assent to his discharge of the majority in *value* and number of his creditors.

As a matter of fact, most *honest* debtors do secure the necessary assent. The conditions now imposed upon a debtor seeking a discharge are fair and reasonable; and they are doubtless modeled after the provisions of the Bankrupt laws of England and Holland, each of which, we believe, contains the 50 per centum provision, and requires the assent of a certain part in number and amount of creditors. So much for the provisions of the act relating to debtors. Since 1869,

THE CREDITOR CLASS

has been most interested in the workings of the law, and it is the effect upon the interests of this class which we will now consider.

If the operation of the present law, with its imperfections, has been beneficial, we must conclude that a permanent Bankrupt law, amended from time to time as experience may suggest, is necessary to our highest commercial prosperity. The principal objection to the present law is its expensiveness—an objection for which there is some foundation. But even now this objection is not always well taken. Take the case of a trader in Chicago who fails to-day and is put into bankruptcy. The cost of the bankruptcy proceedings only are paid out of his estate, and the balance is equally divided among his creditors. Take the same case

WITHOUT A BANKRUPT LAW,

and supposing the trader to have thirty or forty creditors—a number by no means uncommon even in case of small failures. As soon as the mercantile agencies report a single suit against the debtor, every other creditor begins "the race of diligence" to secure his claim; the result is a great multiplicity of legal proceedings, emanating probably from several different courts. A few creditors incur large expenses and secure their claims in full; many others incur large expenses and secure nothing whatever; and we believe that the "settlement" of that debtor's affairs without the Bankrupt law must be very considerably more expensive to his creditors,—that is, the aggregate of costs must be greater than with the settlement under the Bankrupt act, and that the result must give far less general satisfaction.

But we cannot estimate the value of the Bankrupt law to the commercial interests of the country from the actual proceedings in court alone. The number of cases in the Bankruptcy Courts of the country has been comparatively few, as compared with the number of failures, since 1869. The power of its influence has been shown in

FACILITATING SETTLEMENTS

outside of any court, and without expense. Creditors, knowing that they could secure no advantage over each other, have, in the large majority of cases, been willing to accept from the honest debtor such sum as he could afford to pay.

The utility of a Bankrupt law has also been most clearly shown during times of great excitement and financial disturbance resulting from the great fires in Chicago and Boston, and from the recent panic. We believe that the existence of the present law has been of incalculable importance to the citizens of Chicago; that without such a law our merchants would have been unable to settle with their creditors, as in many instances some creditor or creditors would have been found who would have begun "the race of diligence" to secure their claims, in which race they would, of course, have been followed by other creditors. And some of our unfortunate citizens, holding to the principle of commercial honesty which prevailed before the enactment of the Bankrupt law, and being unable to pay all their creditors, would have paid those in full to whom they were more especially bound by ties of blood or friendship. This course would have resulted in dissatisfaction among other creditors.

Another advantage which our citizens derived from the present law was found in the settlement of the affairs of

INSOLVENT INSURANCE COMPANIES,

both those of Chicago and of other cities. Through the influence of the Bankrupt law, an equal distribution of the assets of many companies in other cities was secured without cost or expense of legal proceedings. Where frauds were attempted the companies were thrown into bankruptcy, and a proper distribution compelled. In the case of our home companies, we believe that, with possibly two or three exceptions, no general dividend would ever have been paid to the creditors of these companies had no Bankrupt law been in force. With no law prohibiting preferences, what would an insurance company probably have paid whose officers were holding all the available assets, while at the same time they were large creditors, and had the disposition to pay themselves, regardless of the interests of every other creditor? The same observations, to a less extent, may be applied to the case of the Boston fire.

DURING THE RECENT PANIC,

the law most frequently mentioned, and most confidently relied upon for security by the creditors of suspended banks, was the Bankrupt law. Its influence was most salutary,—creditors everywhere knowing that an equal distribution of the assets of the suspended banks in case of actual insolvency must be made. Had it not been for the existence of such a law, the excitement everywhere would have greatly increased, and what with preferential payments, assignments, mortgages, pledges, confessions of judgment, attachments, and the many other modes of procedure open to the willing debtor or "diligent creditor," the condition of the country must have been most unfortunate. As it was, in most cases, creditors took no action, knowing that any preferences they might gain would be taken from them, and debtors, from Jay Cooke down,

DARED NOT PREFER ANYBODY,

out of fear of bankruptcy. Upon the whole

THE PRESIDENTIAL ASSASSINS

Mrs. Surratt--Booth--Fanny Seward's Story.

In a conversation, at a seaside resort, in 1865, in reply to a remark made by the writer, that "Many Baltimoreans are here," Judge Advocate-General Holt said: "I suppose they are very severe upon me."

"For what?"

"For the hanging of Mrs. Surratt," replied he.

"True," responded I; "a few in the nation condemn the hanging of that unhappy woman, but the larger proportion think she merited death. But it is reported that only part of your Commission agreed to condemn her. Is it a secret who thought her guilty, and who innocent?"

"The deliberations of the Commission are secret," replied he. "But, while all did not agree as to the depth of her guilt, I believe no one thought her innocent. The only question was as to whether she merited the death-penalty or other punishment."

"It is said that strong efforts were made to procure her pardon, or a reprieve," said I.

"Yes, every possible means was tried," returned he.

"President Johnson must have found it very difficult to resist such importunity," remarked I.

"To hold the life of a fellow-being in the gift, and refuse the prayers and tears of friends on behalf of the criminal, must be the most painful trial of those in high places."

"After so terrible a crime, punishment was needful for justice to the dead and protection to the living," said he.

"It is said that President Johnson refused to see some who sought him to entreat a reprieve," remarked I.

"It is also said that *I* prevented him," returned he; "and that he was continually intoxicated during the interval, and unfit for business. Neither of these statements is true, though both are current. When besought to listen to a prayer for reprieve, he said, '*What time did they give their victim?*'"

"It is reported that Mrs. Douglas waited upon the President, either the day previous to the execution or on the morning of that day, to entreat a reprieve," said I, "and that he refused to see her. One would have thought that respect for her, and for the memory of her distinguished husband, would have secured her at least an audience."

"The President had decided that Mrs. Surratt ought to suffer with the other conspirators," replied he, "and avoided painful interviews, which could be of no benefit."

BOOTH.

I saw Wilkes Booth frequently the winter and spring previous to the assassination of President Lincoln. His face was singularly handsome; his features were good; hair black and abundant; his eyes dark, large, and lustrous; but the great charm of his face lay in his complexion, which was a light olive, without a particle of color in the cheeks, but had in it a certain brilliant tone. In health and vigor, such a complexion has a sparkling vitality which warms the face with a sunny glow; in illness or death, it changes to a very unattractive hue.

He had a good figure, a graceful manner, a well-modulated voice, an easy address, and was a great favorite with some of the young ladies of the hotel where he staid. He and his companion—an actor whose name, I think, was McCullough—frequently recited for the entertainment of their friends,—sometimes in the public parlors, and at others in private sitting-rooms. Report said Booth was engaged to the pretty daughter of a certain Republican Senator; and some of her friends declared that she said a certain diamond-ring she wore was their engagement-ring. Certainly those who saw them so frequently tete-a-tete in secluded corners of the public parlors, at hours when those rooms were nearly deserted, had no doubt of the truth of the report of their betrothal.

The shame which attached to Booth and all his friends, after the assassination, made many forget their friendship for the handsome actor. The relatives of his reputed fiances stoutly denied the entanglement, and tried to convince the world that the mistake occurred from the report that Edwin Booth, his brother, had been affianced to Miss ——— of Philadelphia. The names of the two ladies were so similar in sound that the suggestion of such a mistake seemed very plausible; but the names were not spelled alike. The Philadelphian was the daughter of a French perfumer, who had grown rich in his business. She was good, pretty, intelligent, and seemed sad a long time after report said her father had compelled her to relinquish the engagement with Edwin Booth. But Wilkes Booth's inamorata was a pretty, gay, dashing girl, with a Washington style in her demeanor,—the daughter of a Republican Senator from one of the Eastern States. Shortly after the assassination she went abroad with her father, who had a diplomatic appointment, made by Mr. Lincoln, and confirmed by the Senate after his death. During the following winter, the Frenchman took his daughter abroad; so that not only the similarity of names, but of movements, aided to give color to the ingenious suggestion of the friends of Wilkes Booth's reputed fiancee.

Early in the autumn of 1865, while in Washington, the Hon. John A. Bingham called on me. The conversation naturally turned upon the assassination, and the fate of the conspirators.

"I suppose you remember Booth's appearance," said he. "Do you think he possessed the beauty which the newspapers attribute to him?"

In reply I described him as I have already done in this narrative.

"What you say about the brilliancy of his eyes, and the vitality of his complexion," said he, "accounts for much of the change which a painful death might make. Certainly, when I saw his dead body lying on the desk of the steamboat, I could discern but few traces of the distinguished personal beauty attributed to him. The features were contracted with pain; for medical men say his wound was one that produced a degree of agony greater than human ingenuity could have designed in torture; his eyes were sunken; his skin of a dull, sallow hue. But I can imagine, if that lithe form were rejoicing in manly vigor, the face illuminated by fine eyes, and a finely-toned complexion, resplendent with life and animation, his beauty might be as great as described."

"It is strange that no papers were found to indicate the extent of the conspiracy of which he was the chief agent," I remarked. "Were there no memoranda among his effects when he was captured?"

"Yes," returned Mr. Bingham; "a diary was found in his pocket, but so mutilated as to afford no clue to his fellow-conspirators. Many pages were torn out, of the dates previous to and about the time of the murder. But there were passages written during his flight, which were full of pathos." Here Mr. Bingham quoted them.

"Why was not this diary produced at the trial, or published to the world?" asked I.

"It was not needed on the trial, because it contained no evidence," replied he; "and, if it had been published, it would have aided in sustaining a certain sentiment which was endeavoring to make him a martyr for conscience sake,—a Brutus or a Charlotte Corday. It was deemed unwise to foster such a feeling."

"This, then, is why the world may not know where his body lies?" queried I.

"Yes," returned he; "that knowledge is confined to a few, who are sworn to secrecy; and it will probably not be known until Judgment-Day."

Later events proved Mr. Bingham mistaken in this. These statements in regard to the diary were made a few months after Booth's death, and before any comment had been made on Mr. Bingham in connection with the diary; as Mr. Holt's statements were made long before the discussion of Mrs. Surratt's judges.

"Do you remember," asked I, "that, on the day of Mr. Lincoln's second inauguration, there was a report that, as the inaugural procession returned to the White House, a man was arrested, near the Treasury building, who said he was one of a party who intended to kill Mr. Lincoln that day? The man was intoxicated, and was dismissed without further notice."

"On that day the murder was to have been committed," said Mr. Bingham. "The admissions of one of the criminals indicates that Booth was in the Senate-Chamber, for that purpose, but failed to execute his design at that time."

"Where did he obtain his ticket of admission?" asked I. "Some Senator or member must have given it to him, as they control them."

"Senator ——'s daughter gave it to him," said he; "the young lady to whom report said he was engaged, though her friends declare the rumor false."

"So, then, if the President had been killed at that time, this young lady's flirtation with, or affection for, the assassin would have furnished him with the means of approach to his victim? Perhaps his devotion to her was to further his plot?"

"Very likely," rejoined Mr. Bingham; "but she gave the ticket innocently."

"I fear, had her father been other than a Republican, in power, she would have been brought before your Commission to tell what she knew," said I, thinking of many women who had been brought before military tribunals, or incarcerated in prisons, without form of trial, for less offenses or less knowledge. "But he folly does not seem to have lost her father the diplomatic appointment Mr. Lincoln promised him."

"Certainly not," replied he; "the father was not in fault."

FANNY SEWARD'S STORY.

Not many months before her death, Fanny Seward told me the story of the attempt to assassinate her father, the same night Mr. Lincoln was murdered.

"I was sitting in father's room," said she, "he being ill in bed. A band passed along the street, playing an air which I can never listen to with pleasure again. My sister, Mrs. Seward, and I went to the window, and looked at the procession passing. She left the room, and I returned to my chair. Soon after, I heard voices at the door. My brother Fred was replying to some one who spoke louder than was the custom so near to my father's chamber of illness. The voices ceased. A moment later I heard a scuffle, and started toward the door. Just then a man threw it open, ran past me, and jumped on my father's bed. The nurse sprang after him, and caught hold of him. I saw the flashing of a knife, but did not see him strike my father. I could not stir; I could only scream with terror. He sprang from the bed, and rushed past me, out of the room, striking at every one in his way, except me."

"He afterward said he could not strike that young girl watching there by her father," remarked Mr. Fred Seward.

"I ran to the door," continued Fanny, "and saw Brother Fred standing in the hall, bathed in blood; his wife also seemed covered with blood; and my mother's night-dress was stained with it. They were trying to help Fred, and had become stained with his blood; though, at first, I thought the assassin had wounded them all. I ran back to my father's bed, but he was not in it. My feet slipped, and, looking down, I saw they slipped in blood flowing from my father's wounds; for, in the struggle, he had rolled from the bed to the floor, where he lay bathed in blood. The nurse helped him in bed, and told me to continue to apply ice-water while he ran for a doctor. I suppose he was not gone long, but it seemed very long to me, as I trembled with fear that my father and brother both were dying. Fred is still suffering terribly, and my mother died soon after,—the shock of that night having doubtless hastened her death."

The shock hastened the daughter's death, also. She tenderly loved her father, and gloried in his fame; and the terrible scenes she witnessed that fatal night were too dreadful for her delicate organization. She lingered through the following summer, and in the autumn was laid in her early grave,—one of the uncounted victims of the Great Assassination.

CLINET BLUFF.

The Champagne Vintage.

The *Wine Trade Review's* correspondent in Champagne writes:

"Since the first days of October the vintage has been in progress in some of the most forward of our vineyards. We may cite Ay, Dizy, Cumieres, Hautvillers, as well as some districts of the Marne of secondary importance, extending from Damery to Dormans. The fine sunny days of the early autumn did wonders for the grapes, which became healthy, plump, and of beautiful color, though not quite all that could be desired in point of sweetness. There has been but little eagerness to purchase, and in this respect the present year differs greatly from the last, when in some instances the entire produce of a vineyard was in a few hours disposed of, nearly a month before the gathering. The fact is that the expectations of the proprietors exceeded all limits. They seemed to dream of obtaining prices the most fabulous and fantastic. When a kilogramme of grapes fetches one franc, the price of the wine, with all expenses, comes to 425 francs per piece (200 litres.) The vignerons, however (one peck of those in the first-rate districts), demanded in the first instance three francs fifty cents the kilogramme. Such exorbitant pretensions stopped at first all transactions. A few days ago, however, at Vertus—a vine district of fair character, and one of those most spared by the frost—the price was fixed at 2f. the kilogramme, and some important sales was the result. Moreover, it was thought that this figure would serve in some sort as a basis for prices in still more esteemed vineyards. Now then proprietors have but little abated their pretensions, and purchases have been made of portions of the celebrated growths of Bouzy, Verzenay, Ay, Avize, Cramant, at prices varying from 800 francs to 1,000 francs the piece, and even more. As an approximate calculation I may say that for the first growth, 100 francs have been paid; for the second, from 600 francs to 650 francs, and for the third, from 330 francs to 400 francs the piece.

Everywhere the price is double the ordinary value. As regards quantity, this vintage will count in champagne as one of the saddest of the century. As to quality, I abstain from giving a decided judgment, but, according to the reports which reach me from various quarters, I fear a higher rank can not be accorded to it than that of the year 1872. Those merchants who, since the month of July last, have made considerable purchases of bottled wines, even at high prices, have made fortunate investments. In fine, considering the prices of the new wines and the increased cost of bottles, and of every material used in the champagne cellars, our wines must inevitably undergo soon a still further advance in price."

Wills.

The literature of wills is full of curious expressions of personal prejudice, often of the pettiest sort. There would seem to be more of tyranny than of affection in the will proved in 1862 of the Englishman who, in case his son Edward should wear mustaches, ordered that an estate devised to him should be given to his son William; and who likewise provided that if William should not be able to resist the mustache, his share should be given to Edward. This odd old British dislike to a French fashion is also to be noted in an appraiser and upholsterer who, by his will, gave the men he employed $50 each, "but to those who persist in wearing the mustache, $25 only." Another peculiar will, dated 1864, is that of the man who gave his wife $150 a year on condition that she should wear a widow's cap' failing which pious duty she was to get only $100. Another gentleman imperatively willed that his wife should not, after his decease, "offend artistic taste or blazon the sacred feelings of her sweet and gentle nature by the exhibition of a widow's cap." In 1863 was proved the statement of Sir James South, the astronomer, giving a pocket chronometer each to the Earl of Shaftesbury, the Earl of Rosse, and Mr. A. J. Stephens, "in the fullest confidence" he observes, "that they would respectively use and wear them in the same manner as I am in the habit of wearing my chronometer—namely, in my pantaloon pocket, properly so called." Why this servant should have despised the usual waistcoat pocket as a resting-place for a chronometer is yet a mystery.

LITERATURE.

Poems.

HONEY AND GALL: POEMS. By FRANCIS S. SALTUS. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

Some honey—beautiful poetry—we find in this volume; but, sad to say, the gall predominates. The man who can pen a verse like the following will not make the world better by his writings:

My bride can love, but can betray
The day when not caressed,—
A caprice fills her breast:
I never doubted, yet I say,
Let woman's love be what it may,
I love my dog the best.

It may be the author will claim that in "Sans Cœur" he is merely describing a soulless, selfish man, and not himself; but he gives no sign that such is his intent. Hear him:

From power of love to power of purse,
From Childhood's fondest ties,
And from the cradle to the hearse,
Or from the skies,
Nothing in life is worth a curse,—
All lies.

The closing verse of the poem is simply a condensation of its entire spirit;

Death would I welcome with delight,
If my soul on its wing
Could change to viper's fangs in flight,
And could spring
On earth again—for snakes can bite
And sting.

Surely it were better for mankind if such things were never published. There always will be gall enough in the world to poison its happiness, without intensifying its power in the magic numbers of poetry.

Sir Henry Lawrence.

LIFE OF SIR HENRY LAWRENCE. By the late Maj.-Gen. Sir HERBERT B. EDWARDES and HERMAN MERIVALE. Third Edition. New York: Macmillan & Co. Chicago: Jansen, McClurg & Co.

The record of the life of Sir Henry Lawrence really embraces a history of the actions and the rule of the English Government in India, say from 1827 to 1857, the time of his tragical death. During this period, there were wars almost without number, and one province after another was brought under English sway. In all these Sir Henry took a leading part, and proved himself one of the ablest Generals and wisest rulers England ever had in that vast Empire. Whatever oppressions Warren Hastings and others may have practiced, the results already reached show conclusively that our modern civilization has been vastly the gainer by British rule in India. Already a railway crosses the country from east to west, and most of the important cities have speedy communication with each other. Only two or three weeks ago we had a converted Brahmin in this city preaching the truths of our holy religion; and everything seems to give sure promise of the regeneration of India. The book before us will, therefore, be gladly received by the Christian public, and by intelligent readers of all classes.

Church and State.

CHURCH AND STATE IN THE UNITED STATES. By JOSEPH P. THOMPSON. Boston: James R. Osgood & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

This book was written in Germany, for the purpose of making her people acquainted with the relations of the Church and State in the United States. Americans who have traveled in Europe will remember the difficulty they have had in regard to this subject. Foreigners can hardly be made to understand that the fundamental principle here is as stated by the author, that "Religion depends on the moral power of light and love, and not on the arm of the law;" that all the people are free to build churches, and to adopt their own creeds and forms of worship; and, according to our laws, when they are protected in the peaceable exercise of their worship, and in their rights of property in their corporate capacity, the duty of the State ends. As the statements are clear and comprehensive, the book will do great good wherever it finds its way in Europe, and, although less adapted to this country,—for all our people already understand the principles enumerated,—it can be read with profit here.

Cuba.

THE PEARL OF THE ANTILLES. By A. GALLENGA. London: Chapman & Hall. New York: Scribner, Welford & Armstrong. Price, $2.25.

The publishers have imported a special edition of this work for use in this country. It is a timely as well as a comprehensive and valuable work. Just now the public will want exactly the kind of information it contains, viz.: a topographical description of the island; an account of its riches and resources; the history and character of its people; life in Havana; and, in fact, everything in regard to the island. Of its people the author says: "Cuba is a land of trembling and misgiving. The people are afraid of everybody and of themselves. They see difficulties and dangers besetting them on all sides, and they seem incapable of any resolution to grapple with them." They will be very likely to be in a still more anxious frame of mind when they hear how America regards their horrid butchery of the Captain, crew, and passengers of the ill-fated Virginius. All who want general and accurate information in relation to Cuba should send for this book.

Shakspeare.

THE VARIORUM SHAKSPEARE. Edited by HORACE HOWARD FURNESS, Vol. 2. MACBETH. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. Chicago: Jansen, McClurg & Co.

Here we have the second volume of another splendid edition of the great dramatist. It is a large volume, of nearly 500 pages, all devoted to a single play. The notes, critical observations, different readings of the text, essays on the general scope of the play, the passions best exemplified by the characters, the matchless power and beauty that breathe throughout the tragedy, and all detailed with a minuteness and accuracy that appear to leave nothing to be desired by the ordinary reader or the most critical scholar. The paper and typography are excellent. When complete, this edition will be sure to find a place in every library of any considerable pretensions in the country.

Roman Law.

INTRODUCTION TO ROMAN LAW. By JAMES HADLEY, LL. D., Late Professor in Yale College, New York: D. Appleton & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

Every intelligent man knows that English and American jurisprudence is founded on Roman law. Hence a knowledge of the principles of that law, of the modes by which they were administered, and their effects upon the commerce and the social institutions of that vast Empire, are essential, not only to every lawyer, but to every well-informed American citizen. The book is composed of twelve lectures, orginally delivered to the students of Yale College. We fully indorse the opinion of President Woolsey, who says, in the preface: "As calculated to initiate young students into the mysteries of the Roman law, to diffuse a just idea of its preciseness of definition, and to broaden the foundation of legal study, they seem to possess peculiar merit."

Goethe.

THE STORY OF GOETHE'S LIFE. By GEORGE HENRY LEWES. Boston: James R. Osgood & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

The companions and the social habits of great authors must be known in order to a right understanding of their works. Especially is this true of great poets, whose most finished and characteristic productions are often inspired by the good or bad actions of those by whom they are surrounded. The work before us is just what it professes to be,—an account of the public, and, so far as it can now be known, the private, life of Germany's greatest poet. To understand the pathos and the power of his poems, one must know the people and the circumstances that inspired them. This information Mr. Lewes supplies. The literary public will be duly grateful for it.

The Best Reading.

HINTS ON THE SELECTION OF BOOKS, THE FOUNDATION OF LIBRARIES, &c., &c. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

A very convenient book, and well adapted to the purposes for which it is issued. The list of authors on different subjects, with the prices of their books, will be found valuable even to those who have a very general acquaintance with literature.

Edwin Drood.

THE MYSTERY OF EDWIN DROOD: COMPLETE. By CHARLES DICKENS. Brattleboro, Vt.: T. P. James.

It is not necessary to tell the public that the last or heretofore unfinished part of the book, left so long by the great English novelist at his death, is claimed to be supplied through a medium, Mr. James, by the spirit of Mr. Dickens. In regard to the authentic portion of the book the public need no information or criticism; and, as to that supplied by the medium, we have no opinions to give, for it would lead to endless controversy. We dismiss the book by simply remarking that if, in this instance, the "spirits" have made the least approach to the ability and the style manifested by them while in this world, it is the first time their efforts have ever risen above the contempt of mankind.

A Quiet Life.

RECORDS OF A QUIET LIFE. By J. AUGUSTUS HARE. Revised for American readers by W. L. GAGE. Boston: Roberts Brothers. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cook & Co.

A really excellent book, showing how a genuine Christian life can pervade the higher families of England, without an exhibition of any of those snobbish propensities so distasteful to American society. The book details the lives of the Hare family,—the interest centering largely in the ladies connected with them. One of them was Maria Lycester, the wife of Augustus Hare, and another, Catherine, was the mother of Dean Stanley. Taken together, the book will be found intensely interesting to the Christian public. It shows most clearly how our religion can adorn a quiet life, and make all its members happy; and how it can inspire its members also to achieve the highest and noblest purposes.

Higginson.

OLDPORT DAYS. By T. W. HIGGINSON. With Ten Heliotype Illustrations. Boston: James R. Osgood & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

The publishers have given the papers of one of America's most charming writers to the public in the very best style of their art. The paper and typography are really beautiful, and the illustrations are perfect. The quiet, easy-flowing language of Mr. Higginson makes one imagine that he is lounging in some cosy nook in Oldport,—still, by the way, miscalled Newport,—on some soft June evening. Yet they are to the life, and give the reader a very correct idea of winter and summer life at Newport. It is a most delightful book,—a real word-picture of one of the most lovely spots in America,—one in fact, that, in its own distinctive characteristics, has no superior anywhere.

Silver and Gold.

SILVER AND GOLD: AN ACCOUNT OF THE MINING AND METALLURGICAL INDUSTRIES OF THE UNITED STATES. By ROSSITER W. RAYMOND, Commissioner of Mining Statistics, etc., etc. New York: J. B. Ford & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

Mr. Raymond has given to the public a most valuable and exhaustive work. It not only specifies the location of the different mines, but the value of their ores and their annual yield of the precious metals, the means by which the mines can be reached, the machinery used in mining, and the best means of smelting the ores, and, in fact, about all that is known about mines and mining in this country up to the present year. It is a work which no one interested in any way in mining operations—we mean, of course, the mining of the precious metals—can afford to be without.

Intellectual Philosophy.

TEXT BOOK OF INTELLECTUAL PHILOSOPHY FOR SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES. By J. T. MACCLINTOCK, D. D., President of Waterville College. Boston: Woolworth, Ainsworth & Co. Chicago: Western News Co.

The author says he does not pretend to great originality in his work, but the principles of mental science are arranged in convenient form for a text-book. As no analysis we have time to give should induce its introduction as a text-book, we commend it to those who have charge of our higher institutions of learning for their careful consideration. The poet says:

The proper study of mankind is man;

and any work from so high an authority will certainly contribute to a right understanding of that subject.

A Society Novel.

THEY MET BY CHANCE; A SOCIETY NOVEL. By OLIVE LOGAN (Mrs. Wirt Sikes). New York: Adams, Victor & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

The author has been long before the public, and her peculiar characteristics are well understood. She sketches American fashionable life with the pen of a keen observer of its faults and follies. Her materials are drawn from actual life, and her characters are described with a raciness and a piquancy that never fail to interest the reader. Whatever faults Olive Logan has, dullness will never be mentioned as one of them. Her admirers will, of course, at once read her book, and others can find how she writes by doing the same thing.

Court-Life.

OLD COURT-LIFE IN FRANCE. By FRANCES ELLIOT. New York: Scribner, Welford & Co. Chicago: Hadley Brothers.

The stories of this book represent almost every phase of the Court-life of France. They are told in graphic style, and really fascinate while they instruct the reader. The author asserts their perfect accordance with the facts of history, but they have all the charm of romance. They could only be true of the French Court and the French people. No other could ever exhibit such wonderful contrasts of character. Love and hate, virtue and vice, and, in fact, every other trait that marks the most active and restless nation on earth, are to be found fully illustrated in the work before us.

A Boy's Doings.

THE BOY WITH AN IDEA. By MRS. ELLIOTT. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

A very enjoyable book, and one whose lessons should teach boys, by contrast, to keep out of scrapes, and to be careful what kind of an idea they follow. The hero of the story seems in no sense to have been a vicious boy; but his ideas led him into all kinds of ventures, some of them with very amusing results, while others were greatly annoying to those about him. John is, in fact, a genuine imp of mischief, most of which is innocent; but the results will teach all thoughtful boys to adopt ideas cautiously, and not to carry them out where they lead to danger.

Railways.

AMERICAN RAILROAD MANUAL: LOCATION, BRIEF HISTORY, COST, HARNESSES, OFFICERS, &C., &C., OF ALL THE RAILWAYS IN THE UNITED STATES. Compiled and Edited by EDWARD VERNON. New York: American Railroad Manual Company, Chicago: Jansen, McClurg & Co.

This is the largest, and, if we mistake not, the best, railway-manual ever issued in this country. It embraces almost everything one wishes to know, or can know, in regard to our railways. It has, besides, maps of all the States, where the lines of all the roads are accurately put down. The cost, officers, earnings, and expenses are all stated, and put in tabular form for convenient reference.

Science.

POPULAR LECTURES ON SCIENTIFIC SUBJECTS. By H. HELMHOLTZ, Professor of Physics in the University of Berlin. Translated by E. ATKINSON. With an Introduction by Prof. TYNDALL. New York: D. Appleton & Co.

The author has laid general readers under great obligations by putting the abstruse facts of science in a popular form. He has brought them within the comprehension of those whose pursuits or duties do not allow them to become practically acquainted with the great facts of science. The indorsement of Prof. Tyndall is all the work needs to command the confidence of the public. The illustrations are good and sufficiently numerous.

Lectures.

YALE LECTURES ON PREACHING. By HENRY WARD BEECHER. From Phonographic Reports. New York: J. B. Ford & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

The book before us contains eleven lectures, embracing Mr. Beecher's second year's course at Yale. As might be expected, they are full of wit and wisdom, sparkling with the brightest thoughts and the noblest sentiments, and replete with incidents that have occurred during a long and most successful career,—all clothed in plain, sharp, graphic Saxon. It is a book that everybody can read with profit.

The Japanese Language.

JAPANESE-ENGLISH AND ENGLISH-JAPANESE DICTIONARY. By J. C. HEPBURN, M. D., LL. D. New York: A. D. Randolph & Co. Chicago: W. G. Holmes, 79 Madison street.

As we are not learned in the language of the Japs, we have no opinions to give as to the accuracy or the value of this work. The publishers have issued it in handsome style. Those wishing to study Japanese will doubtless be glad to get a work from a gentleman whose long residence in Japan has fully qualified him for the task he assumed.

Political Economy.

ELEMENTS OF POLITICAL ECONOMY. By ARTHUR LATHAM PERRY, Professor of Political Economy in Williams College. Eleventh Edition. New York: Scribner, Armstrong & Co.

This work of Prof. Perry has become a standard authority on the subject of which it treats. It has heretofore had the unqualified indorsement of THE TRIBUNE. In this edition many improvements have been made; and, take it all in all, Prof. Perry's book is one of the best works on the subject of Political Economy now before the public.

Classical Literature.

A HISTORY OF GREEK AND ROMAN CLASSICAL LITERATURE. By the Rev. Mr. LAMAGE, Professor, etc., Notre Dame University, Indiana. New York: D. Appleton & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

A small, but very excellent, text-book. The descriptions of the different kinds of literature, and the extracts from leading authors in each department, are brief; but sufficient as a means of reference. Larger volumes must of course be consulted where extended information is required.

England.

HISTORY OF ENGLAND. By EDITH THOMPSON. Edited by EDWARD A. FREEMAN. New York: Henry Holt & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

This is a small, and therefore, from necessity, a brief work, but the editor vouches for its entire accuracy. It furnishes the student with a condensed outline of English history, which should be supplemented by larger and more elaborate works. It will be found, even by accomplished historians, convenient for reference.

Longfellow.

AFTERMATH. By HENRY WADSWORTH LONGFELLOW. Boston: James R. Osgood & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

We might write a column of criticism on this last work of one of America's greatest poets, and make extracts showing the beauty and charming character of the poems; but this is unnecessary. The fame of Longfellow is worldwide, and certainly, among the readers of the TRIBUNE, an extended review of these poems is unnecessary.

Etiquette.

A MANUAL OF ETIQUETTE; WITH HINTS ON POLITENESS AND GOOD BREEDING. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

This little manual does not contain the stiff rules, founded on the most refined selfishness, enunciated by Chesterfield; but those which are based upon the true principles of politeness. Every young man or young woman just entering society, and, in fact, most of them already in its leading circles, can study this little book with profit.

Morals of Manners.

MORALS OF MANNERS; OR, HINTS FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. By MISS SEDGWICK. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

A very valuable little book, giving in a pleasant way hints on good morals and good manners, which the young would do well to ponder and to practice. And, besides, nothing but an honest heart can contribute more to a young man's advancement than good manners.

South-Sea Idyls.

SOUTH-SEA IDYLS. By CHARLES WARREN STODDARD. Boston: James R. Osgood & Co.

This work is a collection of stories and the experiences of the author, principally among the Sandwich Islands. They are told in that free and easy style peculiar to the writer. One can learn many facts in regard to the habits, manners, and customs of the every-day life of the people who dwell in those far-off islands, from the descriptions of Mr. Stoddard.

Mercantile Failures.

MERCANTILE FAILURES: THEIR CAUSES AND PREVENTIONS. By an Old Merchant, St. Louis Mercantile Company. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

This is a book which every merchant, and especially every young merchant, ought to read. The principles on which a business can be conducted safely and profitably, and those which, if followed, end in certain ruin, are so clearly and forcibly stated that a perusal of them cannot fail to do great good.

Education.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF EDUCATION. By Dr. KARL ROSENKRANZ, Professor of Philosophy in the University of Konigsberg. Translated by ANNA C. BRACKET. St. Louis: Gray & Baker. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

This is a cheap edition of the ripest thoughts of one of the ablest scholars of Germany on the subject of education, or rather on the profession and duties of the teacher while engaged in his noble work. Teachers will find much benefit in a perusal of the work.

Douglas Jerrold.

FIRESIDE SAINTS: MRS. CAUDLE'S BREAKFAST-TALK AND OTHER PAPERS. By DOUGLAS JERROLD. Boston: Lee & Shepard. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

This is a collection of some of the best papers of the author. Literary readers need not be told that, for keen, biting sarcasm, sparkling wit, and pithy, sharp common sense, the writings of Douglas Jerrold take rank among the best in English literature. Just the thing for a leisure-hour on the rail or by the fireside.

Prescott's "Ferdinand and Isabella."

HISTORY OF THE REIGN OF FERDINAND AND ISABELLA. Vol. 3. By WILLIAM H. PRESCOTT. Philadelphia. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

The issue of this beautiful edition of Prescott's "Ferdinand and Isabella" has been heretofore noticed in these columns. The volume before us is fully equal, in paper, typography, and in all respects, to the others. This is a very convenient and elegant edition.

Brave Hearts.

BRAVE HEARTS: AN AMERICAN NOVEL. By ROBERTSON GRAY. Illustrations by Darley, Beard, Stephens, and Kendrick. New York: J. B. Ford & Co., Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

Decidedly a spicy and readable novel, mingling staid New England scenes with the reckless dash and wild adventure of border and California life. The characters are distinct, and the incidents well chosen and described in graphic style.

Cicero.

SELECT ORATIONS OF M. T. CICERO; WITH EXPLANATORY NOTES FOR SCHOOLS. By ALBERT HARKNESS, LL. D., Professor of Brown University. New York: D. Appleton & Co. P. B. Hales, Agent, 117 and 119 Lake street.

The paper and typography of this book are good, and notes copious and to the purpose. It is commended to the attention of all classical teachers and scholars.

Travels.

OLD MERRY'S TRAVELS ON THE CONTINENT. With illustrations. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co.

A sketchy and lively account of what Old Merry and his fellow-travelers saw while on a tour through France, Switzerland, and Germany. A book for children, from which they can learn many facts of interest.

Howard Glyndon.

SOUNDS FROM SECRET CHAMBERS. By LAURA C. REDDEN ("Howard Glyndon"). Boston: James R. Osgood & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

A collection of very beautiful poems, for which our literary readers will thank the author. In them she shows careful study and cultivated taste, of which any one will be convinced by reading them.

Fairy-Friends.

BIRDIE AND HIS FAIRY-FRIENDS: FOR LITTLE CHILDREN. By MARGARET T. CANBY. Philadelphia: Claxton, Remsen & Haffelfinger. Chicago: W. G. Holmes, 79 Madison street.

A very charming little book, full of pleasant stories for nurses and older brothers and sisters to read to little children.

Fenimore Cooper.

WING-AND-WING. By J. FENIMORE COOPER. New York: D. Appleton & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

A cheap and very beautiful edition of one of Cooper's best known tales. His works need no commendation or analysis at our hands.

Gazetteer of the United States.

Messrs. Zeigler & McCurdy, No. 130 East Adams street, have in process of publication a Centennial Gazetteer of the United States. It will treat of their location, boundary, and extent; topographic variety, rivers, lakes, and entire water-system; climate and vegetation; population, in its number and ethnologic features; cities, in their number, rank, and percentage of increase; agriculture, its importance, extent, number devoted to it, how its interests are distributed, and upon what climatic and other natural laws it depends; manufactures, their growth, variety, capital invested, hands employed, and products turned out; mining, its location, importance, capital, hands, and products; commerce, our exports and imports, growth, character of commodities, values, countries we trade with, comparative statistics; railroads, telegraphs, and canals, their extent, distribution, capital invested, and importance as commercial media; education, our common-school systems, collegiate and higher schools, number of schools and colleges, number of pupils, non-attendants and illiterates, comparisons by States, number and extent of libraries, number and character of newspapers and periodicals; Government, constitutional history, legislative, judicial, and executive branches, their intent, subdivisions and functions, with varied and valuable department statistics and histories; national history, a resume of salient events and departures, the great landmarks indispensable to the statesman, editor, and student; an outline of the respective Administrations, their political significance, etc. This is followed by the Gazeteer, or Encyclopædia proper, which is alphabetically arranged. It treats each State in detail; its location, extent, boundary, topography, population, rivers, lakes, climate, etc., etc.

Missouri Agriculture.

We have to acknowledge the receipt of the eighth volume of the Reports of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture, from the Hon. John F. Wellandy, Secretary. It makes a splendid showing for that noble State.

Insurance.

We acknowledge the receipt of the annual report of the Insurance Department of the State of New York for the last year, from O. W. Chapman, Esq. It is a valuable document.

Books Received.

The following books are on our table, and possibly may receive more attention hereafter:

PENRUDDOCKE. By HAMILTON AIDE. Boston: James R. Osgood & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

UNDER THE SURFACE. By EMMA M. CONNELAN. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

OUT OF THE SWEET SOLITUDE: POEMS. By ELEANOR C. DONNELLY. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

THE WOOING O'T: A NOVEL. New York: Henry Holt & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

QUIXSTAR: A NOVEL. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

THE HEIRESS IN THE FAMILY. By Mrs. MACKENZIE DANIEL. Philadelphia: T. B. Peterson & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

UNDER LOCK AND KEY: A STORY. By T. W. SPRIGHT. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. Chicago: Jansen, McClurg & Co.

ATHOL. By M. R. H. New York: Pott, Young & Co. Chicago: Jansen, McClurg & Co.

MIRIAM MONFORT. By the Author of "The Household of Bouverie." New York: D. Appleton & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

BRESSANT: A NOVEL. By JULIAN HAWTHORNE. New York: D. Appleton & Co.

THE WICKED WOODS OF TOBERREVIL. By Miss MULHOLLAND. Boston: James R. Osgood & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

WANDERINGS OF A VAGABOND: AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY. Edited by JOHN MORRIS. New York: Published by the Author.

WHAT WILL THE WORLD SAY? A NOVEL OF EVERY-DAY LIFE; and ONLY A WOMAN. By OTOE MORROE. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

LOST GIP. New York: Dodd & Mead.

THE TURNING OF THE TIDE; OR, RADCLIFFE RICH AND HIS PATIENTS. By ELIJAH KELLOGG. Boston: Lee & Shepard. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

A GOOD MATCH. By AMELIA PERRIER. New York: J. B. Ford & Co. Chicago: W. B. Keen, Cooke & Co.

Periodicals Received.

Popular Science Monthly for December. D. Appleton & Co., New York. Contents: "Radicalism, Conservatism, and the Transition of Institutions," by Herbert Spencer; "Furs and Their Wearers," by James H. Partridge; "Correlation of Vital with Chemical and Physical Forces," by Joseph Le Conte; "Heredity and Race-Improvement," by Fernand Papillon; "Haskel's Monera," by Aime Schneider; "A New Method with the Brain," by Prof. Ferrier; "Mars, by the Latest Observations," from the French of Camille Flammarion; "Tennyson and Botany," by J. Hutchison; "Water Parasites to Blood," from the French of Dr. N. Joly; "The Requirements

A CHAPTER OF GOSSIP.

Extracts from Maunsell B. Field's "Memories of Many Men."

King Bomba, Lucien Murat, Thackeray, Macaulay, Sam Houston, Mike Walsh, Dickens, Lincoln, Chase.

From Harper's Magazine for December.

KOMBA.

King Bomba, of Naples, was a first-class specimen of disreputable royalty. He was obese, vulgar, and filthy to the eye, and was said to be the most ill-bred man in Europe; but of this I had no personal opportunity to form an opinion. Among other stories that were circulated about him was the following: It was said that soon after his second marriage a court ball was given at the palace in honor of the event. The Queen had been dancing and the King pretended to conduct her to a chair; but just as she was about sitting down he withdrew it, so that she came in confusion to the floor. In her mortification, she turned upon him and said, "When I married you I supposed that I was marrying a King, whereas I find that I have married a lazzarone!" Whereupon, by way of climax, he slapped her face before the whole assembly!

IRVING AND DICKENS.

I never saw Mr. Washington Irving betray any excitement but once in my life, and that was upon an occasion when I dined with him in Madrid. The name of Dickens happened to be introduced, and he became very heated in telling me about his relations with that author. Finally he could no longer contain himself, and jumping from his seat, he walked up and down the floor in great apparent agitation. He told me that he had corresponded with Dickens long before they ever met. That both from his writings and his letters he had formed the highest conception of his personal character. That under these circumstances Dickens arrived at New York, and he, Irving, called upon him at the Astor House. That immediately after sending in his card he was invited to Mr. Dickens' parlor, and, as he entered the room, that gentleman met him, napkin in hand. He had been dining, and the table was covered with a vulgar profusion of food, and the table-cloth was stained with gravy and wine. Wringing his hand, Dickens' first salutation was, "Irving, I am delighted to see you! What will you drink, a mint-julep or a gin cocktail?" "The idea of inviting me to drink mint-juleps or cocktails!" naively exclaimed Mr. Irving. He found Dickens outrageously vulgar—in dress, manners, and mind. And none of us young people were then more incensed against him for his "American Notes" and "Martin Chuzzlewit" than was the gentle Goldsmith of American literature.

TOUSSAINT L'OUVERTURE AND JOSEPH BONAPARTE.

In the spring of the year 1843 I made a flying trip to Europe for the benefit of my health. We had a delightful passage, to which the agreeableness of my fellow-passengers largely contributed. One of the most pleasing and entertaining of them was Prince Lucien Murat, next to whom by accident I happened to occupy a seat at table. He was going to France, to derive what advantage he could from the revolution of the previous February. I found him a most good-humored, jovial companion, possessing what a good deal of a certain kind of wit and shrewdness. He was extremely careless about his person, a voracious feeder, and the most formidable snorer I ever met. Unfortunately for me, his state-room was directly opposite mine, and, as he always slept with his door open, I enjoyed the full benefit of the terrific noises he made in his sleep. More than once, after lying awake for hours, I used, in sheer desperation, to hurl my boots at his berth, which rather forcible protest he always took very amiably. His proportions were already of the Daniel Lambert order, but they increased considerably afterward. The last time I saw him was in the year 1855, at Paris. He was then in full uniform, and covered with orders and decorations; and the brilliancy of his attire, united to the prodigiousness of his person, made him a sight to behold. What changes his fortunes have undergone! To be elevated from a sort of New Jersey squatter to be a member of the Imperial family of France, with at one time a squint at the throne of Naples, again to sink to the position of an offshoot of an outcast dynasty!

The first time I used to wear upon my head a very old, dirty, and dilapidated soft felt hat, which in its best estate could hardly have been ornamental. Apropos of this hat, he told me that, before he left home, his wife, who remained in this country to await events, insisted that he should procure a proper black hat as soon as he reached Paris; but that he then somewhat unexpectedly suffered her discovered or not who had played this "Heathen-Chinee" trick upon him, I am not aware.

DICKENS AGAIN.

In the spring of the year 1843 I was returning North after spending the winter in Cuba and New Orleans. I stopped a day or two at Charleston for the purpose of visiting an old college friend. Upon my arriving there my friend informed me that Mr. Charles Dickens was in town, and was to hold a levee or reception at his hotel that morning. He was going to it, and asked me to accompany him. At that time I had the admiration, almost hero-worship, for Dickens which all young people of the age, even in this country immediately after the publication of his earlier works. I therefore readily accepted the invitation, and we were soon in the presence of the distinguished novelist. There were not many persons in the room when we entered. Immediately behind us followed a small English gentleman of subdued and timid manners. Mr. Dickens was standing in front of the fireplace, with his coat-tails under his arms, gorgeously gotten up, and covered with velvet and jewelry. Mrs. Dickens was lounging upon a sofa at the further end of the room. We were duly presented by an usher, or master of ceremonies, and after exchanging a few words with the author of *Pickwick*, retired to give place to the little Englishman who was behind us. Upon being introduced this gentleman deferentially remarked, "I had the pleasure to meet you, Mr. Dickens, at Mr. Lover's, in ——shire, two years ago." Mr. Dickens looked him steadily in the face for a minute, and then answered, in a loud voice, "I never was there in my life!" Here Mrs. Dickens interposed, and, addressing her husband, said, "Why, Charles, you certainly were there, and I was there with you. Don't you remember such and such an occurrence?" Mr. Dickens glanced at her, almost fiercely, and, advancing a step or two, with his right hand raised, fairly shouted, "I tell you I never was there in my life!" I had never been so disenchanted in all my days. The unfortunate Englishman withdrew without another word, and I and my friend retired disgusted. I then, for the first time, reluctantly apprehended the fact that a man may be a great author without being a gentleman—a conclusion which I have frequently seen verified in my more mature years.

MR. LINCOLN AND THE EMANCIPATION PROCLAMATION.

Mr. Seward told me the story of the Emancipation Proclamation, and, as he related it, it was strikingly illustrative of Mr. Lincoln's unerring and rapid perception of the popular will. Months before it was issued, it was the subject of constant discussion at the meetings of the Cabinet. Day after day, the most earnest and acrimonious debates took place in relation to the propriety or impropriety of the President issuing such a proclamation. While an attentive listener to these discussions of his Secretaries, Mr. Lincoln did not take an active part in them. So much was this the case that several of his advisers were very uncertain as to what his ultimate determination upon the subject would be. So bitter did the controversy grow that it resulted, after a time, not only in a breach of personal, and to some extent even official, relations between certain of the Cabinet officers, but eventually even in a prolonged discontinuance of Cabinet meetings. During the interregnum matters which had been usually discussed and disposed of at such meetings had to be settled by independent correspondence. One of the other Secretaries, with the obvious purpose of *annoying*—I use a mild word—Mr. Chase, addressed a very important official communication directly to me, ignoring the head of the Department. This condition of things lasted until one day Mr. Seward received an autograph letter from the President requesting him to attend, without fail, a meeting of the Cabinet which he proposed to hold on the morrow. All the other Secretaries received similar letters, and not one of them knew or entertained any confident conjecture about the particular purpose for which they were called together. At the appointed time Mr. Lincoln waited until they were all assembled, having been unusually reticent to the first comers. He then addressed them somewhat as follows: "Gentlemen, I have asked you to come here that I may have the opportunity to read to you a *proclamation* which I am about to issue. Before, however, proceeding to read it, I desire to say that not only do I not *invite* any discussion about the propriety or impropriety of its issue, but that I am *unwilling to listen* to any. My mind is made up. On the contrary, as to matters of form, I wish that you all make any suggestions that may occur to you." He then drew from his pocket a manuscript, and to the amazement of some, if not of all there assembled, proceeded to read the *Emancipation Proclamation*. When he had finished, for awhile nobody spoke. Mr. Seward was the first to break the silence, and to recommend a verbal alteration. Mr. Lincoln adopted it without a word of objection. Other gentlemen suggested further changes. Mr. Lincoln accepted them all without discussion. When nobody had any more suggestions to make, the meeting broke up and the Ministers dispersed. The next day the emancipation from slavery of four millions of human beings in the United States was published to the world! Mr. Lincoln had waited until the people were ripe for it, and what he had first looked upon as inopportune, he had at last considered expedient and necessary.

CHASE.

We all remember the movement that was made, previous to Mr. Lincoln's second nomination at Baltimore, to bring Mr. Chase forward as a competing candidate. That Mr. Chase was himself in no wise reluctant cannot be denied, although I know that he all along doubted that such a movement had any chance of success. In those days he failed to appreciate Mr. Lincoln at his true value, as, I think, Mr. Lincoln failed to appreciate him. Indeed, it would be impossible to imagine two men more unlike and having fewer points of contact. Mr. Lincoln, at least, was entirely deficient in what the phrenologists call reverence. No man who ever lived could be in his presence and *dominate* him, as the French express it. There is a certain sort of intellectual atmosphere different from, if not higher than, that in which he moved, and he troubled himself very little about it, or about those who dwelt in it. As I say now, he instinctively conceded nothing of superiority to anybody, and often failed to comprehend those whose mental plane was different from his own. Mr. Chase, honestly felt his superiority to Mr. Lincoln in some respects, and could not be reconciled to his undignified manners and strange ways. While the movement to bring Mr. Chase forward as a Presidential candidate was being agitated, a United States Senator, who was actively participated in it, one day came into my office in a towering rage. Striking his fist upon my desk, he said to me that he considered Chase the ——est (using a very strong expletive) fool in the world. He then went on to tell me that he and others had been unsuccessfully laboring with the Secretary to induce him to issue a "cotton permit" to somebody or precious few, which would insure to any respectable person, only that the profits were to be applied in the interest of his nomination instead of going into private pockets. There was an amount of principle and delicacy involved in Mr. Chase's refusal which the Senatorial mind utterly failed to appreciate.

When speaking of Mr. Chase's Presidential ambition, I am reminded, as Mr. Lincoln used to say, of a little story. When I first went to Washington the Secretary occupied for his office a room on the south side of the Treasury Building, with a beautiful outlook down the Potomac. Soon afterward it was proposed that he should remove to certain elaborately-ornamented and elegantly furnished rooms in the west side of the building, which had been arranged for his occupation by Mr. Mullett, the architect of the department. Mr. Chase had consented to make the change, but after the new rooms were ready he delayed removing. Several times he appointed a day to do so, but when the time had come he had changed his mind. One afternoon, while he was still hesitating, I was standing with him at one of the windows of the largest of the new rooms, which faced the Executive Mansion. Turning to me, he asked me to assign one sufficient reason why he should change his quarters. I told him that there was at least one obvious advantage in the exchange, and that was that if he should come to these offices he would be able to *change his politics* upon the *White House*.

Mr. Chase was a man of an extremely nervous temperament, and he would sometimes be very violent, and occasionally even unjust, while swept by a gale of passion. On one occasion Senator Fessenden came into my room in a terrible rage, occasioned by a scolding which he had received from the Secretary. Gov. Brough, of Ohio, visited Washington at the same time, and being an experienced railroad man, and familiar with the cost of transportation, explained to Mr. Chase the fearful extravagance of the Quartermaster's Department in the West. Mr. Stanton, unfortunately for himself, happened to come into the Secretary's room shortly after the Governor had left, when he was the subject of a verbal castigation at the hands of Mr. Chase as few men would have ventured to inflict upon the great War Secretary. What was more remarkable, however, he bore it with great meekness.

But Mr. Chase was always just after the moment of anger had passed, and knew how to be magnanimous.

LINCOLN'S JOKES.

I was once in Mr. Lincoln's company when a sectarian discussion arose. He himself looked very grave, and made no observation until all the others had finished what they had to say. Then, with a twinkle of the eye, he remarked that he preferred the Episcopalians to every other sect, because they are equally indifferent to a man's religion and his politics.

It happened that at one time a blockade-runner going out of Charleston harbor was captured, and on board of her were found certain dispatches from the Spanish Consul in that city for his own Government. These dispatches were very improperly opened by the captor, and then forwarded to the State Department for the inspection. Mr. Seward, immediately after he received them, sent for the Spanish Minister, Mr. Tassara, and, with expressions of great regret that the envelopes had been tampered with, offered him the dispatches. The Minister, highly indignant, declined to receive them. Then Mr. Seward proposed to forward them to their destination through the medium of our own agents. This proposition was equally unacceptable, and the Secretary of State was at a loss what to do. He shortly afterward explained the difficulty to the President, whom it reminded of a "little story." "When I lived in Indiana," he said, "there resided very near us an old negro known as 'Uncle Josh.' He was a very pious darkey, but was so infirm that it was impossible for him to go to the neighboring school-house to listen to any itinerant preacher who might happen to discourse there on a Sunday. However, in order to make up as far as possible for his own inability to attend, he always compelled his grandchildren to go; and they were required not only to recollect the text, but also to be able to give the old man some account of the sermon. On one occasion a Methodist came and preached. He told the congregation that there were two kinds of people in this world, Methodists and Baptists; that the Methodists followed a road that led to heaven, and the Baptists one that led to hell. The next Sunday there presented himself a hard-shell Baptist who had heard about the sermon of his Methodist brother. He told his auditors that it was true that there were two kinds of people in the world, Methodists and Baptists, and that they followed different roads; but that it was the *Baptist* road that led to heaven, and the *Methodist* road that led to hell. When old Uncle Josh heard this he scratched his wool, and said: 'Each one says that there are only two roads, and that his own leads to heaven, and the other to hell. Well, this old nigger will go across lots!' Seward, you will have to go across lots!"

SONG.

'Twas the bright, golden birth of a fair Summer's day
When the dark clouds of night had vanished away,
And the glow of the sunshine fell softly and played
On hillside and valley, on thicket and glade.

The gentle wind stirred with its amorous breath
The wild flowers that dotted the sunny brown heath,
And kissed as it passed, in its frolicsome glee,
The dew-drops that sparkled on leaflet and lea.

There was beauty and love in the rosy-hued sky,
And the streams rippled past with a soft lullaby;
Meadow and upland looked blooming and fair,
And Summer's bright roses sweet-scented the air.

The little birds carolled their ditties above,
They sang to their mates a sweet lyric of love;
As I listened with joy to the musical strain,
There came to my mem'ry happy visions again.

There came back a morn—oh! long years ago,—
I scarcely can number them, time passes so;
Then my hair was unfrosted by the winter of years,
And my brow was unwrinkled by sorrows and cares.

There came back a morn, by the silvery Lee,
When we wandered together, my Norah and me;
I told her my love as we walked by its tide,
And vowed in the future to make her my bride.

But, alas! all the joys of that dear time are fled,
All the hopes of my young heart its withered and dead;
The green leaves of Summer have long ceased to grow,
And nothing is left but the desolate snow.

CHICAGO. JAMES LAVALLIN.

THE DUKE OF ALVA.

A Spanish Butcher Three Hundred Years Ago.

How He Ruled the Netherlands—Slaughter by Wholesale.

From the St. Louis Republican.

Until the Cuban trouble dies out in smoke or ends in flame, the name of the iron-hearted soldier, who is inseparably associated with the terrible ordeal through which the Netherlands passed from Spanish slavery to Dutch independence, will drop from innumerable lips and innumerable pens, and serve as a rallying cry for those who hope the massacre of American citizens on board the Virginius may transform the Queen of the Antilles into an American island. Nearly 300 years have elapsed since Alva went to his grave; but in every struggle between liberty and oppression his uneasy ghost has seemed to burst the portals of the tomb and stalk abroad as a reminder of that

DARK AND DISMAL ERA

when a long-suffering people, goaded into madness by more than devilish tyranny, rose against an empire which then overshadowed the world, and struck the blow which made republican governments possible. How strange it is that today the memory of this man, who so long ago turned to a little heap of coffin-dust, should assist in rousing the wrath of a great nation which had no existence while he lived, and set in motion influences which may sooner or later snatch from Spain the last of her once magnificent colonial possessions! Neither Alva nor his master dreamed that the horrible work which the one did at the bidding of the other would be handed down as an awful legacy to generation after generation, and enveloped both in a halo of imperishable infamy. Dead they are, but their deeds live after them,—burned, as it were, with a hot iron into the world's heart, there to remain until "the last syllable of recorded time."

FERNANDO ALVAREZ DE TOLEDO,

Duke of Alva, was born in Spain in 1508. He sprang from a race of soldiers—himself destined to be the greatest soldier of them all. His family claimed descent from the old Byzantine Emperors, and one of his ancestors—a Paleologus—conquered Toledo, and added the name of that city to his own as his descendants' title. The father of the subject of our sketch was killed in an encounter with the Turks, and the son grew up with a determination to avenge his death and carve out fame and fortune with his sword. He may almost be said to have leaped from the cradle into the saddle, for at an age when other boys are amusing themselves with toys and trifles he was studying the art of war, and was already an adept in every manly and military exercise. When he entered the army is not known, but it is certain that at 16 he fought at the battle of Fontarabia, and at 22 accompanied Charles V. in his campaign against the Turks. It was in this campaign that his cool courage, precocious wisdom, and remarkable genius attracted the attention of a monarch who had a rare faculty for discovering what was in a man; and henceforward Charles and the young Fernando

WERE INSEPARABLE.

It is told of him at this period—and it is about the only symptom of the gentler passion he ever manifested—that he rode from Hungary to Spain on a horse-back for no other purpose than to enjoy a brief interview with the bride he had left behind. In 1535 he was with Charles in the expedition against Tunis; in 1546-47 he commanded the forces arrayed against the Smalcaldian league, and achieved great distinction at the siege of Muhlberg, where he won a splendid victory over his antagonists. In 1554 he was attached to the suite of Philip—then Crown Prince—and joined him on the visit to England which resulted in his marriage to Queen Mary. When Philip by the abdication of his father became King, Alva was appointed Generalissimo of the army in Italy, and waged that

FAMOUS WAR AGAINST POPE PAUL IV.,

which created such vast scandal among the faithful. At the conclusion of hostilities,—which had all gone in favor of the Spaniards,—Alva proceeded to Rome, kissed the feet of the Pontiff whose territories he had overrun and whose troops he had vanquished, and obtained an absolution which must have stuck somewhat in the throat of the holy personage who gave it.

When Charles abandoned the cares of State for the sacred calm of the secluded monastery of Yuste, he recommended Alva to Philip in the strongest possible terms, and urged his employment wherever and whenever a steady brain and a relentless arm were needed. We have seen how Philip followed this advice in the Italian difficulty; how he was not to follow it in a much more important matter, and on a stage where the mightiest actors were to figure for nearly eighty years, and where Spain was to receive those wounds which have reduced her once imperial sway to such insignificant dimensions that she is hardly able to maintain her own nationality.

SPANISH DECADENCE BEGAN

with the rebellion in the Netherlands. That rebellion was the cancer which slowly but surely has eaten the life out of the dominion which once embraced the choicest portions of the Old World and the New,—a dominion which has had no equal since Rome lost the sceptre of the earth.

It is impossible, of course, in the columns of a newspaper to give even the briefest summary of those events which produced a revolt in provinces hitherto enthusiastically loyal to Spain. Enough for our present purpose to say that this revolt was not so much against Spanish authority as against the Spanish Inquisition, and that the Netherlands threw off the yoke because Philip II. steadily adhered to his favorite motto: "Better not to reign at all than to reign over heretics." Up to the moment when the people of the seven provinces finally and forever repudiated their allegiance to Spain, they could have been reconciled to their sovereign by a simple proclamation on his part of liberty to worship God according to the dictates of their own consciences. This was the ultimatum which William of Orange announced, and which Philip refused; and this was the pivot upon which turned those events that, long after William and Philip had gone, ushered in and consolidated the Dutch Republic.

Margaret of Parma, as Regent of the Netherlands, had failed to crush the budding insurrection, and being a woman—though one of the most masculine of her sex—was too merciful to inaugurate the policy which Philip had resolved to put in force. He did not have far to look for a man who could enforce that policy without fear and without remorse. Alva was in

READY AND A WILLING TOOL,

and if the planet had been searched for a person to do Satan's bidding in Satanic style, Fernando Alvarez de Toledo would have distanced all competitors. He was then 59 years old, tall, straight, with small, round head, keen, glittering eyes, heavy nose, thin lips, and an iron-gray beard, which, divided into two long tufts, fell upon his breast. His nerves were steel; he was as incapable of fatigue as of forgiveness; he had no appetite except for blood, and went about his bloody business as quietly and dispassionately as the professional butcher who puts his knife to the throats of dumb brutes. Though the very incarnation of cruelty he was seldom angry, and certainly never allowed anger to disturb his judgment or interfere with his appointed task. As a machine for systematic murder, the annals of mankind do not furnish his equal. He stands alone and above all other murderers—

A COLOSSAL CRIMINAL,

before whom all other criminals may hide their diminished heads.

Alva sailed from Carthagena May 18, 1567. His army consisted of 10,000 picked veterans seasoned in a hundred battles, and fit servants for such a master. They were perfectly equipped, and, in order to prevent those disorders so prejudicial to military discipline, a corps of 2,000 of the *demi-monde*, regularly enlisted and paid, accompanied them on their march. France, having refused passage through her territories, Alva proceeded to Genoa, and from thence made his way over the Alps, through Savoy, Burgundy, and Lorraine, and entered the Netherlands without opposition. In that unhappy country there was but one man who knew what was coming. William of Orange comprehended the mission of Alva, and, being powerless to offer effective opposition, retired into Germany. Before his departure, he urged Egmont and Horn, his associates in resistance to Spanish rule, to leave the place which was soon to become an immense slaughter-pen. They could not, and would not, believe there was any real danger, or that their monarch intended any harm to those who still considered themselves his faithful subjects. William begged, implored, and prayed them to fly before it was too late. They refused—and so walked blindfold to their doom.

The Regent soon found that, though not formally superseded, the supreme authority had been transferred to Alva, and, after many useless protests to Philip, retired from office and made room for the Viceroy, who had brought with him hundreds of death-warrants which the King had signed in blank and left him the pleasant duty of filling up. His first work was to establish in Brussels what he called "The Council of Troubles," but what the world has called from that day to this

"THE COUNCIL OF BLOOD."

The whole judiciary of the Netherlands was engaged in this one tribunal. Its members were appointed by Alva, he himself was President, and all its edicts required his sanction. He sanctioned every edict which carried death and confiscation of property with it; he vetoed every edict which released a prisoner who had ever raised his voice against the Inquisition, or who was rich enough to be worth robbing and murdering. Catholics, as well as Protestants, were brought before the Council of Blood, and, without scarcely the form of a trial, dismissed to the scaffold or the stake. They were not condemned singly, but in droves of 20, 50, and 100. The names were read over, the charges stated, and the verdict rendered. So regular was the routine of butchery that it is said one of the Judges, the infamous Hessel, used to go sound asleep while the court was in session, and when awakened to give his vote on a case which he had never heard, would always exclaim, "To the gallows! to the gallows!"

EGMONT AND HORN

were among the first to taste the tender mercies of the Prince who prided himself upon being ever "mild, clement, indulgent, and placable." Philip had given Alva special orders to seize those leaders at the earliest opportunity and execute them whenever it was most convenient. They were invited to a banquet in Brussels. Egmont was arrested while walking arm in arm with Alva, and Horn a few minutes later in another apartment of the palace. Both were beheaded in the grand square of the city, June 5, 1568—Alva looking on from a neighboring window, and, as soon as the axe had fallen, dispatching a courier to Madrid with the welcome tidings that two brave and honest noblemen, whose only crime was devotion to the cause of a down-trodden people, had been "suitably punished for their iniquitous behavior."

When Egmont and Horn had been dismissed, the machinery of massacre redoubled its speed. Agents were sent into the remotest towns and villages of the Netherlands with instructions to bring all suspected persons—that is, heretics, rebels, and the rich—at once to Brussels, There the Blood Council took charge of them; Vargas scanned a old Hessel shouted, "To the gallows!" Alva said, "Amen," and they were swept out of sight by the hands of the executioner. It is estimated that during the six years of Alva's rule, over 18,000 men, women, and children were

BURNED, BURIED, AND BEHEADED.

This does not include the thousands upon thousands who were slaughtered by his soldiers. In the battles and sieges which he conducted in person, or by his lieutenants, no quarter was ever shown. The beaten army was exterminated, the captured cities given up to fire and sword. Women were publicly violated; children hacked into pieces; unborn infants torn from the maternal womb and flung to the dogs or to the fire. At the sack of Haarlem 800 citizens were tied back to back, in couples, and thrown into the lake; at the fall of Zutphen 500 more were fastened in the same manner and drowned in the river.

We have not the space to even mention half the horrors perpetrated by this demon in human shape, with the sanction of the master-demon, who, in the cloisters of the Escurial, spent his days and nights in dictating and superintending the infernal work. Philip was worthy of Alva, and Alva worthy of Philip. Drenched in treachery and blood, both are pilloried in history, and as long as grass grows and water runs men will wonder why the good God allowed such monsters as these to

CURSE HIS FOOTSTOOL.

Alva retired from the Government of the Netherlands Nov. 17, 1573. His farewell advice to the King was to destroy every city in the revolted provinces except two or three to serve as garrisons, and by no means to relax the "Christian chastisement" which he had so happily commenced. A short time after his return to Spain he incurred the displeasure of Philip on account of some misconduct of his son. He was imprisoned and banished, but in 1580 was employed in the conquest of Portugal, which restored him to royal favor, so that he could die peacefully in his bed Jan. 12, 1582.

Leaving a name to other times,
Linked with no virtue and a million crimes.

GUIZOT.

An Illustrious Author Nearly 90 Years Old.

From Appletons' Journal.

Francis Guizot passes, every month, a week at his home in Paris. It is a small, old-fashioned building, on the corner of the Rue Destouches and the Faubourg Saint Honore. M. Guizot bought this residence sixty years ago, and it is still one of the architectural relics of the age of Louis XV., during whose reign it was built. Everything looks old-fashioned in it, and there is hardly a room but would furnish an excellent subject for a genre painter.

I entered it the other day in compliance with a request from M. Guizot, who desired to ascertain from me some facts in regard to the literature of Spain during the sixteenth century. I found him seated in his truly unique library. Imagine a small, square room, furnished in the true *rococo* style, and with two curious bay windows looking out upon a small garden, laid out exactly as if Watteau had had a hand in it. All that was wanting was that the venerable old man himself should be dressed in the costume of the eighteenth century, and the illusion that I had suddenly been ushered into a scene of 120 years ago would have been complete.

But M. Guizot, although it was yet early in the morning, was already dressed in the faultless suit of black in which one always finds him, whether at his desk, in his family circle, or in his fauteuil at the French Academy.

He received me with the utmost kindness. Time has dealt gently with the grand old man. More than 85 years have passed over his head, and yet he stands erect, and his eyes, those wonderful eyes, which seemed to flash out a supernatural fire during his great speeches in the Chamber, were as brilliant as if he were a youth of 20.

I congratulated him upon his good looks, and he said,

"Yes, thank Heaven, I am in good health. I walk five miles every day, and I am a hearty eater. I don't think yet of dying," he added, gaily. "I have so much to do yet. My 'History of Spain' is not half finished."

Guizot has long been at work upon this "History of Spain," which is to be issued in ten large volumes. He showed me some of the proof-sheets, notes, and asked my opinion. I gave it, without concealing my surprise at his wonderful memory. Dates, so embarrassing to most minds, did not bewilder him in the least. I said that Juan Truguller, the novelist, had lived in the middle of the seventeenth century.

"Pardon me," said M. Guizot, "he lived from 1614 till 1649."

The notes for the Spanish history have been collected by this indefatigable worker for nearly twenty years past, and I admired the beautiful and firm chirography of the manuscript. M. Guizot writes a firm, bold hand, and he always uses small, heavy note paper, without lines.

I read the first page of the fifth volume, and found not the slightest alteration.

I observed that this was something very rare with authors.

"Lord Byron," said M. Guizot, "was famous for the excellent condition of his manuscript. It hardly ever happens to me to make a change in what I write for the printer, and, strange to say, I can read over, and rewrite it almost exactly as I penned it first."

I had often heard that M. Guizot was a very early riser, and I asked him what his favorite hours for writing were.

"I never write after 2 o'clock in the afternoon. I rise at 6, take a cup of coffee, glance over the morning papers, and then go to work. At 10 I stop and lunch. At 2 I am done. I do not go very fast, but there is hardly an old acquaintance of mine who can keep stop with me.

The conversation returned to his work on Spain, and he told me that he had studied the Spanish language at the age of 72, and had taught it then to his grandchildren. I inquired about the latter, and the happy grandfather became very enthusiastic. He assured me that his constant intercourse with the little ones had given him some of his best inspirations. His "History of France, Related to my Grandchildren," has had a most extraordinary success. One hundred thousand copies have been sold thus far, and the demand continues unabated.

M. Guizot is very wealthy, and for the larger portion of his riches he is indebted to his pen. He has always commanded the largest copyrights, and could not have maintained his lavish expenditures, while he was Prime-Minister of France, had he not had this never-failing resource.

Since the French Government has concluded treaties with most of the European Governments, M. Guizot has received heavy sums from foreign publishers. As a literary curiosity, it deserves to be mentioned that he is the only French author who receives a copyright from a Turkish publisher, his "History of Civilization" having been recently translated into that language.

M. Guizot showed me the odd-looking book, and he expressed his regret that he was not familiar with the language; for, among the fruits of his studies, now extending for almost seventy years, is his astonishing familiarity with so many languages. He speaks English as an Englishman, German as a German, and I was hardly able to detect the slightest accent in his pronunciation of Spanish.

I am sure he is the most remarkable old author of our times, and he bids fair to live to his 100th birthday.

ROBERT THE DEVIL.

From Appletons' Journal.

The drama and opera have brought before the public many an imaginary hero associated with an historic name. A close inspection of the facts and traditions of history has shown on what a light and airy foundation the character has been builded, and has often proved even the name to be a misnomer. The German popular legend of "Faust" is evolved from the shadowy myths of centuries. It cannot be proved that Lucrezia Borgia was a poisoner, or any such terrible character as is associated with the name. One has only to read Walter Scott's story of "Macbeth" to learn how marvelous was the inventive genius of Shakspeare. Even the story of "William Tell" begins to dissolve in the strong light of historical research. It is a humiliating fact that the world's choicest characters of literature and the highest art are idealities—myths.

The operatic story of "Robert the Devil" belongs to these high-colored and magnificent dotions. The popular impression of the festive Duke, which the genius of Meyerbeer has made upon the world, is far from correct; the father of William the Conqueror was not a good nor a wise ruler, even as rulers went in those rude times, but was scarcely more of a fiend than his predecessors. The picture of *Robert*, as it exists in the popular mind at the present time, is well drawn in the following stanzas, translated from the opera:

Oh, long ago, in Normandy,
A valiant Prince there chanced to reign;
He lived in peace—his wife he loved,
And yet he lived a life of pain.

No child had he; for years and years
He knelt at shrines—he knelt and prayed;
But all in vain—yes, all in vain,
Was every sacrifice he made.

Then loud he swore, before the Court,
That if a son to him were born,
He would devote him to the fiend,
And let his soul from heaven be torn.

And then in time there came a son,
Of all the land the dread and shame—
Robert, Robert—the demon's own,
And truly he deserves the name.

Richard was not a childless King, and Robert was not his only son. He had no cause for anxiety in regard to the succession,—there was no need of prayers on this point to gods, saints, or fiends. But his history and story of "Robert the Devil," apart from any mythical coloring, is a very interesting one, and the lights and shades of his character are at once a painful and pleasing study.

Robert le Magnifique, of Normandy, whom historians and archeologists have associated with the certain imaginary or legendary hero, called *Robert le Diable*, and whom other writers have confused in the train of "Wilder Jager," or "Wild Huntsman," succeeded Richard his father on the Norman throne in 1024. He had been a wild and wayward youth, and, at the height of his reckless career, he had rebelled against his father, and, at the head of an army of adventurous youths, had shut himself up in the old town of Falaise. Richard, with his veterans, stormed the town, and compelled young Robert to sue for peace. A treaty was made between the father and son, and the former returned in triumph to Rouen to celebrate the victory.

The reconciliation was celebrated by a most magnificent banquet in the palatial Castle of Rollo. In the midst of the music, the wine, and the festivity, Richard was smitten with a sudden sickness, and he passed from the hall to his death-bed. While the feast was at its height, the funeral-bells were already tolling. There had been poison in the Duke's cup, and it was whispered that the deadly draught had been prepared by Robert.

The *magnifico* began his reign by appealing to popular favor. Courteous, debonair, and benign, liberal to his retainers and considerate of the poor, he soon hushed the whispers that had associated his hand with his father's decease. It is said that his gifts were so liberal that some of the recipients died of joy. "Yet, despite his generosity," remarks an historian, "Robert's general conduct was unsatisfactory, and to the last years of his life he displayed an that wild, exuberant hilarity which saddens the thoughtful observer more than grief."

Falaise, with its rural beauties and inviting hunting-grounds, became his favorite residence. The place was the centre of the leather-trade in Normandy, and foreign dealers in doe, calf, and sheep-skin resorted to the thriving *bourgade*, and were welcomed as residents.

The tanners of Falaise were classed with the lowest orders of society. No trade was regarded so low as that of skinning beasts. And not only were the tanners themselves despised, but all employments dealing with raw-hide shared the same obloquy.

There was at this time at Falaise a tanner by the name of Fulbert, who had a daughter of marvelous grace and beauty, called Arletta. She attracted Robert's attention, and used to put herself in his way, dressed in a manner to shed the utmost lustre upon her charms. He fell in love with her, madly in love, and soon it became gossiped about that the Duke Robert kept company with the tanner's daughter.

The window is yet shown in Falaise, through which it is said the Duke first saw the charming Arletta. It is said that he was first attracted by seeing her little feet in a translucent streamlet, which, if true, was very poetical.

Arletta's arts soon made the flighty, hilarious Robert a bold lover. A son was at last acknowledged as their offspring. Robert bestowed upon the boy, the future conqueror of England, the ancestral name of Guillaume (William), and ordered that he should be brought up in the house of his grandfather, the tanner.

The connection of the Duke with the tanner's daughter was highly resented by the nobility of Normandy. It is said that when old Baron Talou first looked upon Arletta and her child, he exclaimed, "Shame! shame! shame! for by thee and thine shall I and mine be brought to loss and dishonor!"

The opposition of the nobility to the Duke's intimacy with Arletta only served to inflame his passion. He raised Fulbert from a tanner to Court-Chamberlain, and no longer made a secret of his attachment for the tanner's daughter. He brought her to Court, and caused her to be attended with all the ceremonial splendor of titular dignity and fortune.

The *magnifico* was so liberal and debonair that the people seemed willing at last to overlook his weakness in respect to Arletta, but all his liberality could not purchase favor for his child. Wherever William, the illegitimate, appeared, he was less associated with the grandeur of the Court than with the unsavory air of the tan-yard. In his boyhood William the Conqueror was always spoken of with consumelious appellations which bore record to his father's sin.

Robert loved his son as well as Arletta. The hatred of the boy by the nobility maddened him. Wars were waged, political and foreign, and in these Robert sustained a character so closely resembling that of a fiend that it is not surprising that he should have been called "le Diable." To plunder, harry, and burn, were his orders to his troops, and wherever he went he was victorious, and left a black track of desolation behind. But, notwithstanding his victories, he was ever restless and sad at heart. His love for Arletta and the boy William was not changed by absence; it haunted him amid the peril of the battle and the silence of the campfire. His heart was set upon it, that the tanner's son should succeed him on the throne; he knew that the boy's name was a byword associated with the tan-yard and its sickening pools.

Amid all of his merry-makings, there was a shade of melancholy in his face that showed that his heart was still heavy. His conscience, too, was in at ease, and he at last became weary of this perpetual unrest, and tired of the splendors of royalty and the celebrations of victory. He wished to leave the Duchy, to engage in some conscience-quieting exploit, to feast his eye on new scenes, and to lend his ear to new minstrelsy.

Suddenly, Robert convened an assembly of his prelates and nobles, declaring that he had an important intention to communicate. They came together with much anxiety, when the Duke announced to them that he had made a vow to become a pilgrim to the Holy Land. The assembly received the intelligence with consternation. The perils of the pilgrimage were great, and, were he to die, who would be his successor?

Robert, the victor, at this critical hour turned himself into a beggar. With an unkingly humiliation, he pleaded with the nobles to acknowledge William as his heir. "All the nausea," says an historian, "all the remorse, all the prickings of conscience, all the stings of worldly shame, all the feelings of love and sin which chastise his crime, were concentrated in that miserable hour." The prelates and Barons remonstrated, but so piteously did the penitent unhappy, penitent Duke plead, that he won his case. William was accepted as his successor, and the proud old Barons performed homage and fealty to the grandson of the dusky tanner.

And now the Duke began his pilgrimage,—barefooted, bareheaded, without even an upper garment; and with him it proved but a journey to the grave. If the palmer himself dressed sparingly at times, his train was most splendid. Heralds went before him, his route was shod with gold, and he scattered wealth wherever he went in riotous profusion.

At length, he reached the Levant, and was borne along on a palanquin by his Oriental attendants, a dying man. Meeting a Norman palmer returning from the Holy City, he said: "Tell my people, when you get home, that you saw the devils bearing me to paradise." He visited Jerusalem, departed, and, dying at Nice of poison, was entombed in the great cathedral in 1035. His remains were finally brought to Normandy.

Such was the historical personage whom Meyerbeer, in 1831, thrust upon the lyric stage, in a tartly, fascinate, charm, and even awe, the music-loving cities of continental Europe. Its operas ever created such excitement on the Paris stage. It was adapted to all lands. It passed Oriental gargeousness, German supernaturalism, "French vivacity, and Italian melody." The tender Normandy song of Alice, the sublime scene at the cross with its mystical interpretations, the grand and shadowy effects of the rising of the mass from their graves, and the loftiness and beauty of the closing scene, gave it a popularity which no previous effort of the composer had received. The scenic accessories essential to the production of the opera, as well as its peculiarities of instrumentation and acting, have made its popularity less enduring than "The Huguenots," and it has been put upon the American lyric stage only a few times during the past decade.

WINTER'S APPROACH.

The Polar blasts that sweep the main,
The dingy clouds that mar the sky,
The cricket's dirge, and blasting frosts,
All, all proclaim that Winter's nigh.

The Summer-solstice now is past,
Its crown of glory laid aside;
And in its place the stormy Autumn reigns,
Enthroned in wrath and regal pride.

The forests, which we most admire,
By shivering forms and leaves bereft,
By angry winds and surging seas,
And denigration of the birds.

In Nature's march, impressive thus,
Winter's approach is now foretold,
In hasten'd days and lengthen'd nights,
And restless flocks

WOMEN AND MONEY.

Financial Embarrassments of Maidens, Wives, and Widows.

The current literature of the day is becoming choked with writings on the subject of woman in her various relations. Every shallow-minded scribbler egotistically contributes his worthless addition, until a perfect Red-River raft has been formed, impeding intellectual navigation, and causing all conservatives of both sexes to hope that kind Providence will soon raise up some literary genius of the nitro-glycerine order, who will blow the whole thing into atoms. Day by day the list of agitating queries lengthens. "Should women earn money?" If so, in what way? How much ought individual women to earn? When they have earned it, is it theirs or their husbands'? If it belongs to them (which is a hotly-contested point), ought they to board, or try co-operative housekeeping? And so on, and on, and on.

Now, in this endless discussion, no one seems to take into account the totally-different views of money held by man and women,—a difference originating in the education of childhood. With the prospect of furnishing himself, from his own purse, with the coveted sled or skates, the boy runs on errands, picks up chips, splits kindlings, and learns his first lesson in money-getting, and tastes the sweets of self-reliance and independence. Did any little girl ever buy her idolized doll with the proceeds of her childish labors? She may have wrought on her patchwork, and dusted the furniture, and rocked the baby, and set the table, but it never suggested itself to anybody that any pecuniary emoluments could attend her efforts. She was taught how to do those things because all women ought to be taught them. For the rest, if she wanted anything, she must ask somebody to buy it for her. Just here the logic failed, because a woman very often wants things, and has nobody to buy them; in which case it is a great convenience to be able to earn money and buy them herself.

GIRLS AT HOME

are generally discontented in proportion to the paternal income; the more money the father, the more unhappy the daughter. So long as the family-income is so small that the daughter must bear some of the household responsibilities and assume some life-duties, she cannot be altogether unhappy. Nobody is who is obliged to forget himself a part of the time. Heaven help the girl who rises from the breakfast-table with nothing particular to do all day! She saunters into the parlor, and turns over her books, and plays a few of her old pieces, and tries the last new one. A feeble conscientiousness in regard to neglecting her music, for which her father was so heavily taxed in her school-days, is her strongest incentive to even this poor attention to her piano. She has heard too much good music not to know that she is not a prociency, and never can be. Then she lounges away to her painting or drawing, but still is secretly conscious that she is not working, but only amusing herself. Then, tired of that, she finishes the last new novel or does a little worsted-work. So the day has run away to lunch-time. Then a nap, toilet promenade, or callers; and so evening arrives, which, if there is no lecture, nor concert, nor theatre, nor even a gentleman-caller, is a dreary enough time. At last the day is o'er. She is discontented, but is incapable of giving a reason. She acknowledges that she ought to be grateful for all the temporal blessings showered upon her; but still she isn't grateful. She doesn't envy the shop-girls behind the counter, or the half-clerks going home with lunch-boxes, and she is very sure she wouldn't be a milliner or dressmaker. If she could be a writer like George Eliot or a painter like Rosa Bonheur, or a sculptor like Miss Hosmer, she would like that, she thinks; but to lecture, or study medicine, or anything of that kind, is so horribly unfeminine. She never could be a singer on the operatic stage. Then she winds up by wishing she was a man. A father who allows his son to finish college, and settle down in expectation of being supported, is not much surprised when he turns out dissolute and becomes a disgrace to him; but girls are drifting out of college every day, and sitting down with folded hands, waiting for a head to be put in their mouths, and clothes to be put on their backs. Is there any difference in human souls that idleness and dependence should be degrading in its effects on one and not on another? For what are these young women waiting? They are waiting to be married. As things are with them, that seems to be their only hope of being saved from the slough of selfishness, and of being ennobled by a share in the burdens of life; but yet, suppose they should fail of marriage? One trembles then to think of what material is constructed that much-slandered class, the

OLD MAIDS.

It seems to be pretty generally understood that, unless a woman is a genius, she cannot afford to be an old maid. Marriage being the highest honor woman can gain, those who fail of it are somewhat in the position of the adventurers who have sought to scale the Matterhorn, or find the open Polar Sea, or explore the interior of Africa, and, having failed, are yet expected, in virtue of their fruitless attempts, to be more than ordinarily enthusiastic in their congratulations over their successful rival. It is no use for one of these spinsters of uncertain age to draw a long face, and announce, in moralizing tones, that she is glad she did not marry her first love. No woman can remember her first love. It was contemporary with her doll-playing age. Years ago,—too many to be specified,—a 6-year old damsel was overheard stating to her 9-year old brother her conviction that a certain Charlie of suitable age loved her. "You little goose!" answered the brother, with true fraternal bluntness, "he don't come here to see you. He comes to see me. He don't even speak to you." "That's what makes me think so," was the placid reply. It seems sad that, when women have such an intuitive consciousness of their power of passion, it should not be brought into active service. Any ancient spinster, however, who lies awake at night lamenting her spinsterhood, can have her grief mitigated by a careful perusal of the morning-paper, which is always full of the woes of the wedded; and she can further solace herself by quoting the proverb that "It is better that people should laugh at you because you are not married, than be unable to laugh yourself because you are."

Now, in regard to the financial status of the old maid: She may make her home with some married relative; but still she is generally the possessor of a slender store, gained either by legacy or saving in earlier years, which suffices for her modest wants. Knowing that she cannot earn one penny, she is necessitated to save two; and thus, isolated from masculine beneficence, she has brought upon her sex the accusation of stinginess. When one remembers her self-denying contributions to foreign missions and to her own church, and her provident care of dumb animals, the accusation is felt to be unjust. There are a good many old maids in the world, but not too many for the aged fathers, the invalid mothers, or for incapables generally.

The ranks of the

BUSINESS WOMEN

are generally recruited from among widows whose widowhood has reduced them from comfort to penury, so young girls whose education is too limited to admit of teaching, and whose refinement unfits them for the kitchen. It is this latter class, particularly, who are now struggling at bay against a horde of scribblers. Women who want angels to do their cooking, men who are tired of settling disputes between wives and Biddies, nobodies who want to see their sentimentals in print, and uneducated women who hold an ill-concealed grudge against better-coloured women in straitened circumstances, have all raised an outcry against shop-girls, clerks, etc., and demanded they should become servants. "This desire for employment in offices and offices arises from a reprehensible distaste for household work," snarls "Head of the Family." It is to be presumed that his desire for employment in the Chamber of Commerce arises from a reprehensible distaste to digging potatoes and milking cows. "You are working at wages much less than can be got in any private kitchen. You are sacrificing health and money to a mistaken idea of gentility," expostulates "Physician." Probably the time was when Physician's professional income was less than that of his present coachman; but I pity the man who would have dared to advise him to go to work in a stable. There seems to be no more valid reason why a woman shouldn't prefer a sewing-machine or a pen to a mop and a dish-cloth than that a man should prefer the camera or forceps to the hod or the shovel. At any rate, there does not seem to be any necessity for the public lashing itself into a fury because a certain class of women prefer rather to measure ribbon than to wash dishes. But it is so. The poor creatures were first soundly berated because they did not wish to put themselves quietly on a par with the class usually found in the kitchen. Next, they were reproached because of the lowness of their wages. None of the vehement protectors in print seemed to be struck with the idea that the best way to remedy that evil would be for public opinion to force the employers to raise wages. The next thing on the programme was an attempt on the part of the scribblers to form themselves into a committee of ways and means to show these lady-employers how to live on these same meagre salaries. As the lady-employer had been engaged for years in doing that very thing, the whole affair must have appeared to them in the light of a good joke. If it is such a strain on the public intellect to demonstrate to women how to live on $6 a week, the easiest way to cut the Gordian knot would be to give them $12.

Considering the diverse State laws regarding the financial status of

MARRIED WOMEN,

the subject is a delicate one to handle. Commencing with the bride's trousseau, it seems to be pretty generally conceded that the proper thing for the young lady to do is to invest all her ready money in her wedding outfit. It is difficult to assign the explanation of this custom. It would not seem, however, to be very complimentary to the future husband. The public is led to believe that the wife-elect never had any amount of clothes before, and never expects to have any again, from the ardor and perseverance with which she sews herself, her sisters, her mother, and all her female dependants, to death. It is a curious characteristic of brides, that every one of them would rather go to the altar jaded, pale, and thin from sewing-work, than to have one ruffle less on her commonest white skirt, or one fold less on her travelling-dress. When a woman who has never footed a bill for herself in all her life marries, and goes from her father's house to her husband's home, she simply exchanges one almoner for another. Generally, she is kept as much in the dark as to domestic resources and household finances when a wife as when she was a daughter. When her husband brings home a $500 shawl, she never suspects that wheat has risen; and, when her censori's face grows lowering and black over dress-making bills with $40 and $75 items, she is never informed that pork has gone down. She is perfectly at sea as to what sum it is proper for her to expend on herself. A woman ought not to feel it a burn to her self-respect to ask her husband for money, and yet she usually does. She defers it till the last moment; perhaps, just as he is starting for the door, she falters out something about a little money, stating exactly for what it is needed. Then comes the same old formula. There appears a straight line—perhaps two—between the husband's eyes. He hesitates a moment. "How much do you want?" he queries, in dubious, annoyed tone. The wife names the lowest possible sum. "Can't you wait till to-morrow?" Then he appoints a later meeting at his office down town. She keeps the appointment, and opens negotiations with the would-be facetious query, "Well, George, I suppose you know what I've come for?" "Money, of course," he retorts. "What have you done with all that dollar I gave you last week?" WITCH-HAZEL.

THE ROYAL LITTERATEUR.

The Late Saxon King, and His Translations of Bryant and Other American and English Poets.

Dr. Rudolph Dosbn, in the Vienna Press.

King John of Saxony had some time ago expressed his desire to read to me his translations into German of Southey's, Shelley's, Burns', and Bryant's masterpieces. When I called at Pillnitz last month I found that the royal translator was too sick to receive me. But my card was delivered to him, and so I received a few days ago another request to call upon him.

I found the genial old man in an easy-chair at an open window in his library. I believe that there is hardly a literary man who would not be envious upon visiting that library. It is full of the rarest literary treasures, and everything in the quaint, old-fashioned room is so conveniently arranged that the book that is wanted can be found in a moment.

The King looked wan and very pale. He made an attempt to rise, but seeing that he was very feeble, I hastened to beg him to keep his seat.

"You have been very sick, sire," I said, respectfully.

"Yes; my days are numbered," he replied in a low tone, "and yet, a month ago, I thought I would live several years yet."

I attempted a word of encouragement, but he intercepted me by a sad smile, shaking his head once or twice.

Then he brought up the subject of his translations. Everybody pays homage to his splendid translations of Dante, which will always remain a standard work in German literature. The more anxious I was to hear some of his translations from the great poets of England and America. He handed me several large sheets of parchment, on which he had written in blue ink, in unusually large characters.

In so doing he remarked smilingly:

"My eyesight has long since failed me to a great extent. But still I do not use glasses. I am writing in regular lapidary style, though, as you see."

The sheets I read contained translations of some of Shelley's minor poems. I read them carefully, and compared the rendering with the original.

The King pointed out the difficult passages, and consulted me as to the felicity of his translation. I gave him my opinion frankly, and he unhesitatingly accepted my suggestions.

"I met poor Shelley in Italy, many years ago, and passed two days with him at Sorrento. Tieck was with me, and I was amused at the rather excited discussions the two had about difficult passages in Shakspeare, whose plays Tieck was then translating into German.

"I was told," I remarked, "that Your Majesty was likewise at work upon a translation of some of Shakspeare's plays."

"Only Romeo and Juliet," he replied; but I am dissatisfied with my work, and shall not allow it to be published."

He told me then exactly what he had ready for the press—some seventy poems. About one-fifth are from Bryant and several other American poets.

"The English language caused me a great deal of difficulty when I attempted to learn it first. That was forty years ago, when I spent three months at the court of King William IV. of England. I suppose I had made myself so familiar with Italian, of which I was passionately fond in my youth, that the strong, terse British tongue was rather indigestible for my spoiled Southern stomach, and I give it up in despair. But about 1860 I resumed the study of the language, and I have now grown very fond of it. I read English papers every morning, and for years at our receptions I have been able to converse with Englishmen and Americans in their own vernacular."

I expressed to the old King my gratitude for the appointment as Professor of English at the University of Leipsic.

"It is a great oversight of my predecessors," he said, in reply, "not to have made such an appointment long ago. Since 1850, at least one-fourth of the trade of Saxony has been with England and America; and now, thank God, every pupil at our lyceums who reaches the second class has to learn to speak English!"

The King sent for refreshments, and sipped a little champagne.

"It is the only wine I can stand, he said. "It is the poet's wine. How different from the thick strong old Falerian, which Horace praises so highly! Had the genial Roman known champagne, I believe he would have despised his Falerian as we do."

The King rose, and I thought it was a signal for me to depart; but he restrained me and said: "Keep your seat, and look over my translations. If you find anything to alter, note it down on this sheet. I am going to lie down. It does me good to sleep an hour or two at this time of the day."

He shook hands with me, tottered feebly out of the room, and left me alone at his desk.

I performed my work conscientiously, and found a good deal to suggest. When I paused during my work, I could not help wondering at the child-like confidence with which the old King had left me at his own desk. But I often heard similar traits of his. I looked awhile at the old desk. It seemed to have stood there many a year. Momentous documents, involving the life and death of many, had undoubtedly been signed on it. A curious feature was the King's writing-tools; raven's quills, which he cuts himself. There lay also the old penknife which he uses for that purpose. No school-boy would give more than a few cents for it. On the floor, beside the King's chair, lay a copy of Victor Hugo's "Annee Terrible." Had his Majesty thought of translating the terrible book of the republican bard of France?

When my work was done I rose and a servant from the ante-room stepped in and informed me that my own conveyance had been sent back to the city, and that one of the royal carriages was waiting for me.

Bad Ventilation.

A protest against drunkenness has just been made by a distinguished German, which deserves attention from its novel phraseology if it is not new in substance. Carl Pfeiffer, Secretary of the American Institute of Architects, in a paper read before the American Health Association at New York, on the health principle of architecture, denounces bad ventilation as productive of the worst kind of intoxication. Carbonic acid, which is thus developed, he says, is a most terrible agent of disease, insanity, and immorality; and the more fearful because indulged by all classes. Our good people who crowd overheated churches and halls, and sit for an hour or two in a closely packed mass, with closed windows and doors, may have the headache when they get out of doors again, but they will be surprised to be told that they are really drunkards. Such, however, they are, if Mr. Pfeiffer be right, and worse even than their few brethren and sisters in tenement-houses. The latter cannot help themselves, while the latter voluntarily subject themselves to the influences of a poison which has not even the merit of being a pleasant stimulant.

LUKE.

(In the Colorado Park, 1873.)

BY BRET HARTE.

Wot's that you're readin'?—a novel? A novel—well, darn my skin!
You, a man grown and bearded, and histin' such stuff ez that in—
Stuff about gals and their sweethearts! No wonder you're thin ez a knife.
Look at me!—clar two hundred—and never read one in my life!

That's my opinion o' novels. And, ez to their lyin' ways—
They belonged to the Judge's daughter—the Judge who came up last year
On account of his lungs, and the mountains, and the balsam o' pine and fir;
And his daughter—well, she read novels, and that's what's the matter with her.

Yet she was sweet on the Judge, and stuck by him day and night,
Alone in the cabin up yer—till she grew like a ghost, all white.
She was only a slip of a thing, ez light and ez up and away
Ez rifle-smoke blown through the woods, but she wasn't my kind—no way!

Speakin o' gals, d'ye mind that house ez you rise the hill,
A mile and a half from White's, and jist above Mattingly's mill?
You do? Well, now, *that's* a gal! What, you saw her? O, come now, that, quit!
She was my lay-in'on' boys, for to me she don't cotton one bit.

Now, she's what I call a gal—ez pretty and plump ez a quail;
Teeth ez white ez a hound's, and they'd go through a tenpenny nail;
Eyes that kin snap like a gun. So she asked to know "What I was bid."
She did! O, it's jist like her sass, for she's pert ez a Katy-did.

But what was I talking of?—O! the Judge and his daughter—she read
Novels the whole day long, and I reckon she read them abed,
And sometimes she read them out loud to the Judge on the porch where he sat,
And 'twas now "Lord Augustus," said this, and how "Lady Blanche" she said that.

But the sickest of all that I heard was a yarn that they read 'bout a chap,
"Leather-Stocking" by name, and a hunter chock full o' the greenest o' sap;
And they asked me to hear, but I says, "Miss Mabel, not any for me,
When I likes I can sling my own lies, and that chap and I shouldn't agree."

Yet somehow-or-other she was always sayin' I brought her to mind
Of folks about whom she had read, or sutkin belike of that kind;
And thar warn't no end o' the names that she give me ther summer up here.—
"Robin Hood," "Leather-Stocking," "Rob Roy,"—O, I tell you, the critter was queer.

And yet, ef she hadn't been spiled, she was harmless enough in her way,
She could jabber in French to her dad, and they say that she knew how to play,
And she worked me that shot-pouch up thar—which the man doesn't live ez kin see,
And slippers—you see 'em down yet—ez would cradle an Injin's pappoose.

Yet along o' them novels, you see, she was wastin' and mopin' away,
And then she got shy with her tongue, and st last had nothin' to say;
And, whenever I happened around, her face it was hid by a book,
And it warn't until she left that she give me ez much ez a look.

And this was the way it was. It was night when I kem up here
To say to 'em all "Good-bye," for I reckoned to go for the year
At "sun-up" the day they left. So I shook 'em all round by the hand,
'Cept Mabel, and she was sick, ez they gave me to understand.

But, jist as I passed the house next morning, at dawn, sun to one,
Like a little waver o' mist, got up on the hill with the sun;
Miss Mabel it was, alone,—all wrapped in a mantle o' blue,
And she stood there straight in the road, with a touch o' the sun in her face.

And she looked me right in the eye—I'd seen sutkin like it before
When I hunted a wounded doe to the edge o' the Clear Fork shore,
And I had my knee on its neck, and jist was raisin' my knife,
When it give me a look like that, and—well, it got off with its life.

"We are going (to-day," she said, "and I thought I would say good-bye
To you in your own house, Luke—these woods, and the bright blue sky!
You've always been kind to us, Luke, and papa has found you sutch
As good as the air he breathes, and wholesome as Laurel Tree Hill.

"And we'll always think of you, Luke, as the thing we could not take away;
The balsam that dwells in the woods, the rainbow that lives in the spray,
And you'll sometimes think of *me*, Luke, as you know you ought now to say,
A rifle-smoke blown through the woods, a moment, but never to stay."

And then we shook hands. She turned, but a sudden she tottered and fell,
And I caught her sharp by the waist, and held her a little spell,
It was only a minit, you know, that ez cold and ez white she lay
Ez a snow-flake here on my breast, and then—well, she melted away—

And was gone. . . . And thar are her books; but I says not to'ch 'em for me,
And enough may be afore some, but them and I mightn't agree.
They spiled a decent gal ez might hev made some chap
And look at me!—clar two hundred—and never read one in my life!

—Scribner's for December.

Getting Clothes.

From the Danbury News.

When a woman buys an article of wearing apparel, it is all right. She is not counseled to take it back because of this or that defect. She ignores man's knowledge in the matter, and he is only too glad to escape to make any protest. But when he upholsters himself in any particular, she gives the articles the most critical examination, and in nine cases out of ten hurries him right back with it. Between that man's regard for his wife and fear of the merchant, he loses a great deal that is pleasant in this world. It is also a little singular what a wonderful effect the store where you have made the purchase has upon the fit of the article. I have known a man to go back three times with a coat. The first time it pinched him a little under the arms. The dealer had him try it on; then pulled it down in the back, stood off and squinted at it, and then said, "How does that feel now?"

The man, perspiring at every pore, and feeling that he was guilty, in some way, of taking unfair advantage of a trusting fellow-mortal, confessed it was much better, and went off.

The next day he appeared, with the impression that there was no wool in the cloth; his wife said so. The salesman gave him such a pitying glance, and whipped the coat over from one side to the other so rapidly, and talked so fast about texture and wool, that the miserable wretch was glad to get the garment back, and get out of the store.

Two days later, he sneaked in again with the coat under his arm. This time it pinched across the back. The tailor had him try it on again, and then rubbed it across the back and pulled it at the front, and said he never saw anything fit like that in his life; and the man went off with a similar belief. He didn't go back any more; but he used to stand in front of that store, when no one was looking, and shake his fist through the window at the tailor, and think up the things he wanted to do to him, but which there appeared no immediate prospect of doing.

Horse-Shoeing Extraordinary.

From the New York Times, Nov. 16.

Some days ago a match was made between two horse-shoers of South Brooklyn, each man betting $100 that he could make more horse-shoes than the other within a specified time. The names of the men are John Burns and George Boyle, and, as both have the reputation of being adepts in the art of horse-shoeing, the contest excited a good deal of interest. The match came off yesterday, and was attended by large numbers of horse-shoers and sporting men from New York, New-Jersey, and even the neighboring States of Connecticut and Pennsylvania. George Boyle worked in his brother's shop, on Livingston street, and Burns worked at Slavin's shop, on Atlantic avenue. Patrick Boyle watched Burns, and Slavin watched Boyle. Each man had a helper. The men worked eight hours, during which Boyle turned out 11,010 shoes, while Burns manufactured but 11,000, thus losing the match. As an exhibition of endurance and skill, the feat was a most remarkable one, and surpasses anything in the horse-shoeing line ever accomplished in America. Some thousands of dollars changed hands on the result.

HUMOR.

One touch of panic makes the whole world shin.

—A modern writer on social science divides the human race into three classes: Those who think it is so, those who think it isn't so, and those who don't care a —— whether it is so or not.

—Jack, who is at boarding-school in the country, writes home: "Please send me a good trap to catch woodchuck and a piece of carpet for me to say my prayers on."

—Jenkins told his son, who proposed to buy a cow in partnership, to be sure and buy the hinder half, as it eats nothing and gives all the milk.

—Minnie—"I'm in such a quandary; for if I turn my back on Charley he becomes offended at once; and, if I don't, he can't see my new buckles. What shall I do?"

—They hurry things up in Dubuque. A young man there met a strange girl on a street-car the other day, paid her fare, and married her three hours afterward. Bless you, my children!

—The Louisville *Courier-Journal* says that because an office-hunter handles three or four stiff horns in a bar-room, before breakfast, that is no reason why he should try to palm himself off on the Grangers as a "horny-handed farmer."

—There is nothing pleasanter, when in the declining years of life, than to have the boy who used to catch all the fish and find all the berries come to you for the loan of a half-dollar. Time works its revenge.

—Enthusiastic English tourist in Scotland to native coachman—"And is that indeed the house in which Rob Roy was born?" Native coachman—"Eh, sir, an' it's just ane o' them."

—According to Beecher, "The cheapest thing on earth is a mean man. A faithful dog dies and is missed, a good and stately horse dies and he is missed, the emigration of the birds in autumn is a source of sadness to us, but mean men die and few tears fall."

—The old-clothes dealers say that very little stock is brought in. Wearing old garments is growing popular, and it may turn out before the winter is over that it will be high style for gentlemen to attend opera with spectacles in the rear of their pantaloons.—*Louisville Courier-Journal.*

—The panic has reached Utah. Business men, according to an exchange, are reducing their number of wives, and getting rid of all other outstanding obligations as fast as possible.

—Domestic Economy—Mither—"Now, Jean, when the folks come to tea, mind ye divert them as muckle as ye can. And, Jean, when the cakes and sic-like things are han'ed round, be mannerly, and set the example by just sayin', 'No, thankye,' to it all."

—One of the Japanese students at Yale was accosted by a Sophomore the other day with, "What's your name?" The gentleman from Japan answered politely, giving his surname, "Oh," rejoined the questioner, "you heathen don't have but one name, I see?" "What was the first name of Moses?" was the reply.

—Use and Abuse—Old Gent—"You don't mean to tell me, waiter, that you can't give me a toothpick." Waiter—"Well, sir, we used to keep 'em, but the gents almost invariably took 'em away when they'd done with 'em."

—Not long since, at Sunday-school, the teacher, after trying hard to impress on the minds of a class of small boys the sin of Sabbath-breaking, asked: "Is Sunday better than any other day?" when the smallest boy in the class answered: "You bet your boots it is?"

—Writing a sketch of his life, an Irishman says that his early ran away from his father because he discovered that he was only his uncle.

—Three little boys—good little boys of the Sunday-school biography sort—were comparing progress in the catechism. "I have got to original sin," said the first. "I am in total depravity," said the second. "But I am away beyond redemption," said the third.

—Irascible Old Party—"Guard, why didn't you wake me as I asked you? Here I am, miles beyond my station!" Guard—"I did try, sir, but all I could get you to say was, 'All right, Maria, get the children their breakfast and I'll be down in a minute!'"

—Sunday Stories.—Aunt Ethel—"But when his brethren next saw Joseph, they found him in a position of great authority and power." Little Johnny—"He was king, Aunt Ethel?" Aunt Ethel—"No. But he was very high—nearly next to the king." Alice (who is fond of cards) —"Was he a knave, then?"

—Awful thought (if it goes on much longer) —There is a Tichbourne from which no traveler returns.

—When *Judy's* milkman heard of the noise they're making about the adulteration of milk, he said, "Water fuss!"

—An old negro woman was heard to exclaim, "Thomas Jefferson, you and James Madison come into the house, and bring Abe Lincoln along with you, or I'll reach for you, suah!"

—Josh Billings says: "I will state for the information of those who have had a chance to lay in sekrit wisdom az freely az I have, that one single hornet who feels cut can break up a whole camp-meeting."

—A Mr. Dahm runs a stove and hardware store up at Eagle Harbor, and the Marquette *Journal* says: "He must have an extensive trade, for we have heard his name mentioned in connection with all the stoves and stovepipes we ever saw put together here or elsewhere."

—A tender-hearted little girl came in from the woods and showed a face covered with mosquito-bites. "Why did you not drive them away?" said the mother. "They would not go," said the child. "Why did you not kill them?" "It would not have been right," was the answer. "But you kill them at home," urged the surprised mother. "Yes, mamma," argued the child firmly, "if they come into my house and bite me, I kill them; but if I go into the woods, that is their house, and I have no right to kill them."

—A young gentleman in Augusta, Me., lately made an evening call upon a young lady. It was getting along toward 9 o'clock, when the young lady inquired the time of evening. "Five minutes to 9," was the reply. "How long will it take you to go home?" "Five minutes, I should judge." "Then," said the young lady, "if you start now you will get home just as 9 o'clock." He performed the feat on time.

—The following school dialogue between him and his father: "Johnny, I didn't know you got whipped the other day," said he. "You didn't? Well, if you'd been in my breeches you'd have known it."

—Uncle James, walking with niece Mary, aged 4, points to the moon, on whose disc the dark spots show quite plainly, and says: "There is a man in the moon, burning brush." The infantile realist puts up her little nose and snuffs, saying: "Yes, I 'mell the 'moke!"

—A good old elder of a church, who was given to extravagant exaggeration, was at last called to account for his offenses in that respect, and promised to give way to the besetting sin in future. The good old man received the admonition meekly and earnestly and said: "I know how prone I am to this fault, my brethren, and it has given me tortures of pain; and night after night I have shed barrels of tears over it." The meeting adjourned in silence.

DANBERRIES.

Thursday, the 27th, is announced as a day of Thanksgiving. Business generally will be suspended, and the day given up to contemplating our blessings and throwing dice for turkeys.

—A reader in *New Britain* very truthfully and indignantly asserts, that no woman, however nervous she may be, has a right to wake her husband from a sound sleep only to tell him on his inquiring what is the matter, "Nothing, only I want to see if you were awake."

—A Nice Question of Taste.—Jeweler—What kind of a chain would you like? Young Man—Well, I don't know, hardly. What kind of a chain would you think I ought to have; that is, what style would you think would be the most becoming for a young man what carries groceries to some of the best families in town?

—In answer to a complaint of the price of eggs, a White-street grocer took occasion to explain that it was on account of their scarcity because of the panic, and upon the customer protesting that she could not see the connection between the two, he further explained, that owing to the general depression, the hens were running on half time. She took the eggs.

—A very prudent man in Danbury provides himself with an extra hat for the month of November. He carries it in his coat-tail pocket, and when the wind lifts the one from his head, he straightway jams on the other, and then puts after the first, and thus not only saves much chaffing from the unregenerate, but actually gets credit as a philanthropist,—the general impression being that he is in pursuit of somebody else's hat.

—The Essex street girls are pursued by an extraordinary fate. No sooner is one of them engaged than some grotesque occurrence breaks up the match. The last instance was on Friday night, when a young man leaving his young lady's house fell down the front stoop, and severely cut himself with a tintype of his adored, on which he struck in a sitting posture. When he found out what hurt him he was so mad he could not speak, and when she discovered where he carried her picture she was so enraged she did speak—and to some effect. They then parted. She shut herself up in her room, and he went for a doctor to pick out the pieces.

RALPH DAYNER'S DOOM.

If travelers see strange things, so do artists, at least landscape painters do, for they are travelers as well, and in pursuit of their vocation visit so many remote places, and come in contact with so many sorts of people, that they ought to be good story-tellers. The rural and sea-faring populations, with whom of necessity they have to mingle, offer many curious studies of character; and the sketcher from nature, who chances to be a writer also, may pick up among them incidents and stories by the score. I have come across many, but the brush has claimed so much of my time that, like most of my craft, I have had but little inclination to give any to the pen.

However, within the last week some circumstances have occurred under my very eyes of so tragic a nature, and associated with so terrible a story, that I am tempted, before I leave the spot, to utilize the long evenings now setting in by writing down the facts as they have come to my knowledge.

I am staying at a little public house called the Pilot, the only hostelry in the small village of Pitadean, situated at the foot of that enormous range of chalk cliffs which, at its highest point, is marked on the charts of the south coast as Shingle Head. The scant population is composed of a few fishermen, farm-laborers, and some lime-burners—these latter being the most numerous, for lime-burning is carried on extensively in the district, and where the chalk begins to rise from the flatter country by the beach the kilns abound. Odd gaps and roads wind down to them through the upheaved soil and fantastic masses of land-slip, rendered more fantastic by the cuttings, excavations, and blastings constantly going on. Little green plateaus jut out here and there half-way down some of the taller cliffs; and notably there is one which, overhanging a kiln on one side, and cut off on the other by a rising precipice of chalk, is accessible only by a narrow winding path descending from the upper heights.

This, together with the range of white cliffs, very varied in form, and rising in some places to hundreds of feet; the burning limekiln with its film of smoke, its dark, cavernous furnace, its adjacent stack of dried gorse for fuel; the carts and horses going to and fro down the steep road to the beach, and across the sands to the little craft that has put in at flood-tide, and is now at the ebb left stranded to receive her cargo of limestone; the moving figures, and some boats—made up a bit of coast scenery which tempted me to submit for a week or so to the limited accommodation offered by the Pilot. I had marked down the scene during a long walk, and had determined to take up my quarters at the rough inn for the purpose of sketching it. Two days ago I came over, bag and baggage, from Helmstone, the watering-place where I was staying, and set to work betimes the next morning.

The autumnal weather was beautiful, and the effect just what I wanted; but the little craft was absent, and as she formed a conspicuous item in the picture, I grew anxious for her appearance as the tide began to rise. She was the highest, however, she slowly rounded the headland, and dropped anchor in her old berth a little before noon. I knew that by the time the men had had their dinner she would be lying high and dry, and taking in her cargo, in the usual picturesque fashion.

Resting for a while, I strolled down to the beach to have a closer look at her. She was rough and tub-like—as might be expected, remembering her trade—cutter-rigged, and of from fifteen to twenty tons burden. There was a deck, and cabin hatchway forward, an open hold, and the yellow letters on her black stern announced that she was the Betsy, of Helmstone, and that Ralph Dayner was her master. The sea was calm, but there was just enough ripple breaking on the shore to prevent the purport of some very high words issuing from the tiny cabin being heard. Nevertheless, I could make out enough to understand that there was a man abusing and bullying a woman. Once there was something very like a scream, but soon all was silent, and presently a sailor emerged from the hatchway. Calling to a boy, apparently asleep in the hold, the two got into the little boat which the cutter had in tow, and pulled ashore. Then they hauled it up on to the beach, and I saw that the man was a huge broad-shouldered, bull-necked, ill-looking fellow. As he walked away toward the kilns, exchanging a few rough words with the men at work there, and disappeared up the road leading to the village, I thought I had never seen a worse specimen of his class.

Sitting down again to my easel, I became much absorbed, and as the dinner-hour left the spot quite deserted, I remained for a long time from the interruption of any of those on-lookers who are always more or less attracted by the sight of an artist sketching. Practice has made me generally indifferent to these molestations, and so, when after a while I was conscious that some one was standing near me, I at first paid little heed to the fact. But when for a moment I chanced to turn my head, I was rather startled by the sullen and forbidding aspect of the individual at my elbow. He was a tall, thin, pale-faced man of about forty, with shaggy iron-gray beard and matted hair.

Dressed in a besmirched and seedy suit of black, and wearing an old chimney pot-hat, he looked very different from any of my usual audience; but it was not so much this which disturbed me as his unpleasant stare—a stare bent upon me, be it remarked, and not upon my picture. I could see out of the corner of my eye that he was not heeding what I was doing at all. He had his back turned too much toward the easel for that, and each time that I glanced up at him, and our eyes met, I encountered a dark, sinister scowl. I tried, however, to ignore his presence, although I confess it affected me disagreeably. By degrees, too, I had a sensation that he was trying to get nearer to me without my knowing it, and I became sure of this at last as I furtively watched his feet. They were certainly creeping, as it were, toward me, and, without taking a stride, he had got much closer to me than he was when I first noticed him. He was now not above a yard from where I sat, and so I looked up at him at last point-blank. He winced a little under my steady glance, dropped his wild eyes for a moment, and moved slowly round to the other side. Again I tried to go on with my work and to forget him. In a more solitary place I should have felt rather uneasy; nay, was I not really feeling so now?—for here, at this hour, with the coast utterly deserted, I was as much alone as I well could be.

I did not know what to make of the fellow. Did he want to attack and rob me? He hardly looked like a pickpocket; but yet I could not doubt, from his strange behavior, that he had some sinister intention.

Resolving that much in my mind, and seeing that he was again creeping in his cat-like, stealthy way toward me, and this time, as it seemed, trying to get behind me, I stood up suddenly, and facing him, said angrily: "What do you mean by this dodging about? If you want to see what I am doing, look at it and be off, and don't annoy me any longer."

I had pitched my easel in such a position as to make it impossible for any body to get to my rear without passing very close in front of me first; for I was about half-way up the cliff road, just at one end of its zigzag bends, with a steep slope down to the beach on the left hand, and on the right a sheer wall of rising chalk. Instead of answering me, the fellow burst into a low, muttered laugh, and, slipping between the easel and the edge of the cliff, was behind me in a moment. Turning almost as rapidly, however, I was again face to face with him; and now there was barely a foot's space between us. He appeared scarcely prepared for this movement, and again winced perceptibly under my steady gaze. His long, bony fingers, which were remarkably claw-like in their action and form, twitched nervously at his beard, his laugh ceased, his eyes dropped, and he shrank back as if he thought I was going to strike him, much as a fierce dog that had met his master might have done. Before I had time to speak he shyly and awkwardly, but with some politeness, raised his hat, saying, in a soft, female voice, "I beg your pardon; I thought I knew you. I am sorry to have disturbed you, and I wish you good-morning." Then, again slipping by me, he walked away down the road to the beach, occasionally looking back furtively over his shoulder in my direction. He passed close to the cutter, finally disappearing round some jutting rocks, with his head bent toward the ground, apparently deeply absorbed, and noticing nothing around him.

Right glad was I to see his back, for I had never been so much put out in my life by the impertinence of an idler; and the strange conduct and appearance of this man set me wondering who he could be. But the interest in my work once revived, he vanished for a time from my mind. Only when the short twilight drove me to my solitary chop in the parlor of the little inn did I think of him again or make any inquiries.

No, the landlord didn't know nothin' at all about such a customer; he hadn't never seen his like up that way; no, nor no more hadn't the one or two natives who were by this time dropping in for their evening smoke and glass. I have said that the Pilot's accommodation is limited; and beyond my snug clean little bedroom my privacy does not go. This is no hardship, however, for I have always been used to roughing it; and there is nothing objectionable to me in occasionally mingling with the homely frequenters of a village ale-house. Thus I smoked my pipe, and listened to or chatted with the few customers as they came in from time to time. Several of them had seen me at work during the day; but, of course, as it was while they were absent that my strange visitor had appeared, and as they knew nothing of him otherwise, they could give no information.

At a table in the farthest corner of the room—which was fairly spacious, considering the size of the house—in company with two workmen from the limekilns, sat the ill-looking fellow whom I had seen come ashore from the cutter. As it was getting late, I was surprised to see him there, and asked of a fisherman close beside me how it was this man had not gone off with his craft and her cargo before it got dark.

"Oh," said the man in an undersone, "he be's a proper radical sort o' chap, that Ralph Dayner; there's never no knowin' what he'll be up to! Somewhiles he'll go hisself right sno', and somewhiles he'll just leave it to his lad and mimetis, and go off on the drink for a week or two at a time; and it reckons that's what he's up to now. I reckon the boy and one o' our men will take the Betsy round to Helmstone to-night better than he would hisself; and his missus won't be none the worse for it neither. Proper radical he be's to her too somewhiles sure-ly!"

"Ill uses her?" I suggested.

"Yes, I reckon he does," went on the man; "and she be a poor and sort o' creatur, too, kind o' cracky they do say somewhiles. Harmless eno', you know, sir, but a little weak in her head like, and that makes it all the worse for her, don't you see?"

Of course I could see plainly enough, and of course I could now understand the sounds I had heard from on board the cutter in the morning.

Our farther talk was here interrupted by the sound of wheels stopping at the door of the inn, followed by the hurried entrance of two strangers. One was a strong, broad-shouldered man, in appearance rather like an upper groom out of livery; the other, also tall and strong, looked like a doctor. He said, abruptly, "Do any of you here happen to have seen a wandering about over the downs and cliffs to-day a tall, thin, pale-faced man, with a beard, dressed in black, and wearing a high hat?"

I instantly replied that certainly I had seen a person answering this description, and I briefly told the gentlemen under what circumstances.

"That's he," he replied, "without doubt. Now look here," he added, addressing the company generally, who were of course all attention: "he is a madman, and this morning he escaped from the asylum at Helmstone. Now I offer £5 reward to any one who shall help to secure him. Depend upon it he is not far off, but as it is

PERU.

How the Monetary Panic Is Felt in South America.

Remarkable Shifts of People Who Have Become "Hard-Up."

The Guanape Islands---How Guano Is Loaded---Grand Breakfasts on Shipboard.

The Celebration of Carnival---Ladies Pelted with Perfumed Egg-Shells, and Men Drenched with Water.

"Noctes Buenos" and Their Characteristics.

Special Correspondence of The Chicago Tribune.

LIMA, Peru, October, 1873.

While you are preparing for your winter, and putting in your supply of coal, we in Peru are in our spring, and getting all ready for our coming summer, which sets in in another month. Ladies are out in our streets attired in laces and white muslins, carrying parasols and fans (more, however, for ornament than for use); and in our shop-windows are displayed our gayest embroidered robes, and the thinnest of laces, gauzes, and grenadines.

THE PANIC

in New York, which made itself so universally felt all over the East and West, has reached here, and there never has been so dull a time in business, all over Peru, as at present. The ship-brokers and chandlers are groaning because there are so few ships in the harbor, and so few are expected; the ship-captains are growling because the freights on guano and on all kinds of cargo are so low that it does not pay them to carry a load away; merchants and business-men generally complain that they cannot buy exchange for any kind of offer they can make; the President has issued an order forbidding any gold or silver coin to be sent out of the country, under pain of imprisonment; and all the leading business-houses are at their wits' end to know how to raise money to meet their liabilities, or to pay for goods ordered. And so the tidal wave of panic, that began in Wall street, and has spread over the United States, has ebbed and flowed into Peru, and the business-interests of this country are cramped and troubled as I never knew them before. It is rumored that even Henry Meiggs, the great American Railroad-King, has lost several millions, owing to the failure of the Peruvian Government to pay up its bonds; and many of our leading firms, guano and banking houses especially, have gone under in that submerging wave that has swept over two continents.

The poorer classes, and especially the Peruvians, have felt this sudden check to business very severely, and, being too improvident and shiftless to work very hard, they have resorted to the

MOST REMARKABLE SHIFTS

to make both ends meet. Daily, and almost hourly, there knocks at the door of our house in the calle-bone, or side entrance to our back-courtyard, a little Chinese or Cholo boy, with a mysterious bundle under his arm. This boy is the "small servant" of some (hitherto) well-to-do native family. Asking to see the mistress, or the young ladies, or even addressing himself to the head of the house (which, I claim, is, or should be, a man), he opens his bundle, tied up in shawl or table-cloth, and exposes a dress, well worn and soiled; a white skirt, befrilled and bedounced, and having been worn since it last saw the laundress; a pair of child's shoes; it may be a diamond ring or pin; underclothes of all kinds; a manta, or veil for the head; every conceivable article of wearing-apparel, even to a set of false teeth, and false curls, and liquid cosmetics; and, in a solemn, genteel manner, he relates that Signora or Signoretta Somebody (fictitious name), his mistress, has been very ill, and has become entirely out of money for present necessities, and desires you to purchase this little article, that she can easily dispense with, for the trifling sum of so many soles. He will generally take anything you may offer him in cash. This same programme is enacted over and over again daily; and never, since a long residence in Peru, have I seen such destitution, such a lack of means, such extremity and suffering, and such lies as are told. The Cholo boy, maybe a woman, an old Cholo nurse, or servant grown gray and wrinkled in the service of her mistress; but there is always told the same lie as to illness and sudden scarcity of money; and the family-name is always suppressed or made up. I have often said to these family-deputies: "Why do you always say your mistress is sick? Why not tell the truth, and say that they need money to keep up appearances?" But these little or old servants have been taught the tricks of the trade well, and will always cling to the same old story of sickness and misfortune to avoid shocking the proprieties. There is nothing under heaven that these Peruvian women will not sell to keep up the peculiar style in which they have been living. They will have but one dress and one manta in all the world, and not a bed or chair in the house; but that manta must be of as fine quality, and the embroidery and lace on it as perfect, as if they were not driven to all these petty meannesses and lies to keep up appearances. In this respect they offer a great contrast to our American ladies, who can appear as true ladies in calico as in silk, and retain a certain dignity and independence under all circumstances.

Since my last letter I have been down to

THE GUANAPE ISLANDS,

where the ships load with guano. These ships generally come out to Callao with a cargo, and, after unloading, go to these islands and load with guano. This guano-loading keeps the ships at the islands about four months, and then, getting clearing papers at Payta, they are off and away for different ports all over the world. The Chinamen are the workers among the guano, as they can better stand the strong smell of ammonia, that almost every one in digging among it and loading it into the hold of the ship. For several nights the smell of this guano was so overpowering and strong that I was obliged to sleep on board another ship, and the family of the Captain could not sit in the cabin at all. When we sit on our settees in the forward cabin the tears ran from our eyes in a stream, and the effect was exactly as if we were snuffing the strongest hartshorn. In some ships the odor is much more apparent than in others; and it is especially strong in those ships whose cabins are all below. Nearly every Captain, when making these long voyages around Cape Horn, out to Callao and the guano islands, takes his family with him, and wife and little ones are closely shut up in a small cabin, and become entirely accustomed to the sea-life. I used to pity the little children and the wives on board ship, when the pungent odor of the stirring-up and bedding-down of the guano pervaded the whole ship for weeks at a time, until it was all in, and the hold securely fastened in, and the ship well out to sea. Then they affirm that the strong wind and the "sea-blow smell" soon drive the ammonia odor away; but Captains' wives have told me they could often smell a guano-loaded ship

MILES AWAY.

How I used to pity the little children, limited to a small, confined cabin for play-room and exercise, with the odor of ammonia so strong as to keep their eyes red and inflamed, the tears running all the time, and a choking coughing being kept up as the pungent guano got into throat and lungs; and then was told it was considered very healthy, and so good for them!

The whole of the Chincha Islands is one vast bed of guano, the very soil of which they are composed of guano. Long wooden troughs, called shutes, are placed against the steep sides of the islands, and go down directly into the ship, as does the end of the band. Down these shutes all day long, wheelbarrow-loads are emptied by the Chinamen on the island, and shoveled with small hoes underneath, into the hold of the ship. In this hold the ship's crew, Coolies and Cholos are stamping and shoveling it in place and packing it down, and the odor permeates and

PERVADES

every part of the ship. It enters into your clothing, your nostrils, your food and drink; and, although it may be very healthy, it is anything but agreeable. There is nothing to go ashore for. A few Cholo huts, of the rudest possible construction, and several low drinking-holes, are all the island has to offer you. While the ships are loading, the Captains and Mates are generally busy enough in superintending the loading of their ships, and often employ a donkey-engine or horse power to help load one side, while the crew are loading on the other side. Their wives and children generally take small boats and go off to other ships, visiting and having a good gossip about some other family who may not be there. This seems to be their only diversion, although I saw some fine ladies on board the different ships.

When a ship is all loaded and ready for sea,

A GRAND BREAKFAST

is given on board. Cook and steward exert themselves to set a splendid table, and turkeys, hams, cold meats, cakes, coffee, and liquors are set out in fine array. Then all the other ships' masters and their wives call on board and partake of some refreshments. One Captain among the company present is then selected to take the ship clear of the harbor, taking charge and giving the orders, while all the others depart in their boats to their own ships. The Captain upon whom has devolved the honor of taking the ship well out to sea, after accomplishing that purpose, gives her over in charge of her proper Captain, and signals his boat, which has been lying off, to come for him, and, when the ship lays to, the boat takes him off, and he returns to his own ship. Then, from the decks of the different ships, we watch the white sails of the outward-bound ship lessen in the distance, until, from a mere speck, it vanishes from our sight entirely. These breakfasts are a great feature of the Guanape Islands, and, as it takes a week of preparation generally, the ladies are kept busy, and excel in fine displays on those occasions. I was astonished at the intelligence and education among the wives of American Captains particularly. There were many who had pianos on board and were fine musicians, and I found them entertaining and very pleasant. Indeed, with that love of comfort and good taste which characterizes an American woman, many of them possessed the same little knick-knacks, conveniences, and toilet-surroundings that can be found in any "spare room" at home among our own Yankee girls and New England housekeepers.

In all my descriptions of the Peruvians, I have never yet given you any particulars about their

CELEBRATION OF CARNIVAL,

which is entered into here with the same relish as at Rome. I have passed through several Carnivals, and, as they are so very different from any custom or observance that occurs in our own country, let me describe one. The Carnival lasts three days, and is participated in with great spirit by one and all. No lady, be she foreigner or Peruvian, can show herself on her balcony or at her grated-window for a minute, on Carnival-days, for she is sure to be pelted with perfumed eggs. These eggs are prepared, weeks and weeks before Carnival, owing to the great demand for them by men and boys, who blow the substance out by making a little hole in one end of the egg-shell, without breaking any more of the shell, and then fill up the empty egg-shell with scented water, either Cologne, rose-water, or the most delicate and expensive of Rimmell's perfumery. After the egg-shell is thus filled, the hole is sealed up with a bit of paper pasted over it, or a drop of sealing-wax, and the shell is put away for use. All the days of Carnival

THESE PERFUMED EGG-SHELLS

are sold from house to house by men and boys, and in the streets, at from five for a real (5 cents apiece, and even as high as 2 reals each (20 cents), according to the quality of the perfumery with which they are filled. A young lover or gallant, or any old married man with an eye to some lovely young lady of his acquaintance, will buy dozens of these perfumed egg-shells, paying high prices for them; and not only do the boys who sell them make a great deal of money during those days, but the Chinamen cooks often make a good deal of money by selling their empty egg-shells just before Carnival to these boys, at so much a dozen. The Chinaman are so fond of making money, and so calculating, that it has been noticed that, for weeks before Carnival, they will serve the table very bountifully at every breakfast with eggs cooked in different styles, so as to break the shells carefully at one end and sell the empty shells to boys for Carnival purposes.

As soon as a lady or young girl appears on the balcony or at the window (and the windows are covered for Carnival purposes), she is assailed on all sides, maybe, by these egg-shells filled with perfumery; and an animated scene it is. She retaliates, upon her part, by

THROWING WATER UPON

any of the male sex she may chance to see passing the street. During Carnival times all men and boys wear their very worst and oldest garments, and those who venture out are ducked from every balcony, window, and door, as they rush along. Even those who go on horseback fare no better, for they are even a better mark for the water-throwers, for they can be the most easily drenched as they canter along. All ladies

FINANCE.

Lecture Last Evening by the Hon. George S. Boutwell.

The Difficulties in the Way of an Immediate Resumption of Specie Payments.

Free Banking Involving an Inflation of the Currency Not the True Policy of the Country.

His Views on Convertible Currency, and on Issuing the Treasury Reserve.

The Practice of Paying Interest on Call Loans Deprecated.

The Hon. George S. Boutwell, ex-Secretary of the Treasury, lectured yesterday evening at the Union Park Congregational Church on "Finance and the Panic." He was introduced by Alderman Sherwood, and spoke as follows:

MR. BOUTWELL'S ADDRESS.

When we are in difficulty, ladies and gentlemen, we inquire naturally for the causes, and seek to ascertain if it be the unavoidable force of events, or due to personal or public errors. The difficulty in business, through which the country is passing, inclines men to these inquiries when we come to state the case as I have, with what of argument I can address to you, in the hope, of course, that I may lead your minds to correct conclusions; but at least that I may offer suggestions which, following your own reflections, may lead you to the truth even if I am to continue to remain in error.

PAPER CURRENCY.

The statement is hardly open to question, that our paper currency is a good one,—certainly good as compared with any which the country has ever before possessed,—the best evidence of which may be found in the manner in which the people have treated it during these two months, and especially during the four weeks in the month of September. If the currency had been exclusively coin, they could not have dealt otherwise with what might have been in the possession of individuals and institutions. Individuals put their hands upon their pockets, and institutions closed as far as possible, safes, doors and safes to individual and public demands. Those of us who remember the year 1837, and those of us, fewer in number, who remember the year 1857, recollect very distinctly that the public course in regard to the paper money of the country was entirely different. Then those persons who had paper money in their possession, proceeded without delay to pay their debts, and then, if called upon to over, to loan it to any one who offered them good security for it. This is the evidence, and the only evidence needed, I think, of the value of our currency, and this is with reference to the question whether the volume is less or greater than it ought to be.

Those of you who have observed, in a general way even, what has taken place during the last five years, and especially during the last two autumns, there is a demand for money in excess, apparently, of the supply, and it may be said, I think, that for six months in each year the machinery of the country is sufficient generally, for the business of the country, for three months in the year, or thereabouts, it is in excess of the business wants of the community, and for three months, or thereabouts, there appears to be a deficiency.

These facts, addressing themselves to the daily or yearly experience of men, have led many to demand what they call

AN ELASTIC CURRENCY,

and I have to say, in answer to that call, that as a currency I see no possible way in which it can be made elastic, and that observation is equally true in reference to paper-money, and to coin. The general fact is, as those who recollect the eras to which I have already referred will bear witness, that whatever elasticity there is to a currency operates inversely to the wants of the community; that is to say, there is an excess of currency where it is not wanted, and when there is a necessity for currency, the supply not only appears to diminish, and usually is actually diminished. The currency which we have is, in its nature, and as a matter of experience in its operation, less liable to these unfavorable transitions than any other currency which the world has seen, and in that number I include those convertible whose currency is exclusively coin.

STATE BANKS.

Under the old system of State banks, whenever there was a panic, whenever a serious demand for money arose, the banks naturally doubted their circulation; because those events, in the nature of the case, were accompanied either with a direct demand for coin, or in the minds of men foreboded a demand for coin. And that condition of mind was due to the experience of men under that system, that whenever there was a serious demand for money it was followed by a demand for coin, and a demand naturally expanded upon the banks for the redemption of their paper in coin; and, therefore, so long as they redeemed their paper in coin they were led to desire to diminish their circulation, and, therefore, in panics, the men or merchants who possessed capital, and who, judged by their means, would, with time, under ordinary circumstances, be able to respond to all their liabilities, were relieved from the embarrassments of the business.

Our currency is of such a sort that, if left to the natural operation of the system, there would be no decrease in the circulation of bank paper in consequence of a demand for coin. If the banks were redeeming their notes in coin, the condition would be otherwise and less favorable in this particular, but more favorable in this particular than the old system! You may ask, and it is one of the topics that I propose to consider, whether our volume of paper money is excessive or not? The only rule, as far as I can discover, that can be applied is the daily experience of the street. So long as the demand for coin comes upon us only at a discount, commercially, as compared with coin, the volume of paper money in circulation is excessive. Therefore, it would seem to follow that the volume ought to be reduced, but when we consider a proposition of that sort we are compelled to consider the cost of reducing it, and the advantages to be derived from the result in the end. In considering this subject in this light, I have been compelled to reach the conclusion that, although the volume of paper in circulation is excessive, as measured by the rule that I have submitted to you, yet the evidence of contraction is not to be found upon the volume of business in the country, in its effect upon the ability of merchants, mechanics, and manufacturers to prosecute their business successfully, while the reduction of the volume will be one main step in reducing the revenues of the country and, consequently, impairing and jeopardizing public credit, are evils so great that the advantage of reaching the point when we can resume

SPECIE PAYMENTS

at a time earlier than we could otherwise resume them does not justify the undertaking. How, then, are we to reach the point when our paper shall be of equal value with coin, and that to me is the objective of our policy. The fact whether a bank shall pay specie for its notes on demand is not a very important fact, if at any time a person having a note can purchase coin without any considerable premium. And I may say, because I have no concealments, that I do not expect the time will come when our banks, by compulsion, will pay specie only, but they will have the privilege of paying either in United States notes or specie as they may choose, and that we shall have accomplished substantially all that is desired when the Government of the United States shall pay in coin its interest on its coin notes, known as greenbacks, in coin, leaving the banks to pay coin or pay greenbacks as they prefer. By the increase of business, by the development of the resources of the country, by the restoration finally of the balance of trade, or the diminution from year to year of the balance of trade between this and other countries, we shall, in a period of time,—I cannot say whether it will be one, two, three, or five years, but in a period of time,—we shall reach the point when coin and paper will be commercially of the same value. Undoubtedly there will be

A GENERAL PRESSURE

upon every man in business while this process goes on. It will be a pressure that has already been serious during the last five years. Specie has been reduced in value, as compared with paper, from 40 per cent to 8, 10, and 12, and, having passed through so great difficulty by the process that I am now considering, we have the evidence of experience that what remains of this difficulty can be mastered by the same process without undue pressure. Industry upon the part of individuals, or upon the revenues of the country. Therefore, when there is a natural and feasible way open to us, which involves no serious injury to any branch of business, I think it is to be preferred to a forcible reduction by law of the volume of currency which, as far as I can foresee, events will be attended with serious evils to the business community. And I say gentlemen, to consider this fact that even now we have entered upon a remedy of this difficulty there will be a certain relief to business and financial affairs by the addition which the use of coin will make to the volume of currency in the country. There are those, on the other hand, who desire no addition to the volume of currency. There is a sense—it can not be stated mathematically, but it is stated to a principle which we can comprehend; and I propose to say that when we add approximately to the volume of currency in the country, whether that addition be of paper or of coin, without at the same time adding proportionately to the property and business of the country, we increase the price of property in a degree corresponding to the increase of currency; and when we have passed through this transitive period when the volume of currency will have been the same as it was when we passed through the crisis of 1857, and of 1860, and of 1861, and of 1862, and of 1863, and of 1864, and of 1865, and of 1866, and of 1867, and of 1868, and of 1869, and of 1870, and of 1871, and of 1872, and of

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FOR SALE—HOUSE AND LOTS EACH 26X126, NO. 18 to 28 Port land-av. (formerly Bodman), worth $4,500; I will sell for $3,600, $1,800 cash; abstract perfect and Property is in a desirable location for residence offered, and will be open but a short time. Call after 2 p. m. of B. HUTCHINSON.

TO RENT—FURNISHED HOUSE ON WABASH-av., south of Twelfth-st., till May 1, 1874, by private family only. Heated by a steam furnace, and has all modern conveniences; unobjectionable to a responsible party. Apply at 162 LaSalle-st., basement office.

FOR SALE—ANY PERSON WHO WANTS A BARgain in a nice residence with all modern improvements, on Wabash, Michigan, Indiana, Prairie, Calumet, and South Park-ave., will find it to their advantage to call at 83 Randolph-st. before purchasing, as we have some first-class bargains.

F. EVANS & CO.,
162 LaSalle-st. (basement), Bryan Block.

FOR SALE—OR EXCHANGE—LOT 81X140 FEET, on the corner of Warren-av. and Congress, and Harrison. F. A. BRAGG & CO., 146 Adams-st.

FOR SALE—TWO BARGAINS—ONE ON WABASH-av., near Thirteenth-st.; the other in seven adjoining Irving Park lots. A. BRAGG & CO., 146 Dearborn-st.

FOR SALE—OCTAGON FRONT BRICK RESIdence, 10 and 12 rooms; large lots, excellent location; West Side. HENRY WALKER, JR., Room 4, 98 Washington-st.

FOR SALE—BRICK RESIDENCE, 10 ROOMS, West Side, $7,500. HENRY WALKER, JR., Room 4, 98 Washington-st.

FOR SALE—$5 A MONTH, $200 DOWN, NEW cottage and lot, on Butterfield-st.; will give a bargain. 118 Randolph-st., Room 13.

FOR SALE—3 COTTAGES AND LOTS, PARK-AV., near Leavitt-st.; want an offer; owner want money. 118 Randolph-st., Room 13.

FOR SALE—AT A TERRIBLE SACRIFICE—FOR a little cash, 4 lot on Wabash-av., near Fifty-first-st.; worth $1,000. Address O 59, Tribune office.

FOR SALE—OR EXCHANGE—A HOUSE AND LOT (cottage and basement, containing 10 rooms), barn, etc., will sell cheap, or trade for Southern lows, or Nebraska. Address O 59, Tribune office.

FOR SALE—MONTHLY PAYMENTS—CHOICE cottage, 7 rooms, 127 Second-st., near Lincoln; key at 678, Clybourn-av., second house.

FOR SALE—I HAVE SOME OF THE BIGGEST BARgains ever offered in houses and lots, and parties will find it to their advantage to see my list. S. D. PIERCE, 170 East Madison-st., Room 3.

FOR SALE—LOTS ON MONTHLY PAYMENTS OF $5 per month, for 6 years, or $4 per month for 7 years. S. D. PIERCE, 170 East Madison-st., Room 3.

FOR SALE—CHEAP CITY LOTS FOR HOMES—On Chicago Ave., lots near Home, $1,000.
Superior and Ashley-a.s., lots near Home, $700.
Western-av., lots near Indiana-st., $700.
Oakley, Hoyne, and Lincoln-avs., lots $600 to $700.
Thirty-first-st., near McCormick Factory, $15 monthly, $300.
Bartlett, Loop, and Bushnell-sts., $600 to $800.
EDMUND G. STILES, 99 East Madison-st., Room 7.

FOR SALE—$50 CHOICE RESIDENCE LOTS ON the high ridge between Hyde Park Station and Woodlawn; 5 minutes' walk from the depot; 30 feet above the level of the lake, overlooking the whole country; beautiful site; perfect drainage; pure air, diversified scenery, and a beautiful park, with rowing and hunting grounds. The park is of unrivaled ground, with native trees; has two artificial lakes, is provided with various means of amusement, with music-stand, rustic bridges, walks and drives, and contains an observatory, from the top of which may be viewed an extent of territory for 30 miles south, and which affords one of the finest views in the West. You have a good class of neighbors; your children encounter no rough classes at school, everything is desirable, and your accessibility is such that 20 minutes' ride in a nicely-heated passenger car, and 12½ cents fare will place you in the business centre of Chicago, and much quicker than were you residing on Thirty-first-st., Ashland-av., or Lincoln Park, and relying on street-cars or stages. Or your yearly expenses are greatly diminished, and you can reach your place of business quicker and more comfortably. Snowstorms in the lake begin by settling on your clothing and not piercing you, and then who pay rent are most generally kept poor thereby. Savings banks may fail and strip you of your money, but mogey and stone a fine is secure from such through life. You can buy a desirable, accessible home for from $300 to $700, on long time and no money down, if you wish it, and in a few years it will be worth a small fortune of wealth but of absolute security, and is the only real estate purchase in the market where the land is so cheap it will double all the money you may put into it, even should you not prefer to reside upon it. Maps and circulars giving information furnished free by calling on or addressing

D. KNIGHT CARTER,
at the office of the Melrose Company, 157 Washington-st.

FOR SALE—AT A BARGAIN—BY GOLDEN & FRENCH, 167 South Clark-st.:
40 acres in Sec. 11, 38, 13. 40 acres in Sec. 15, 39, 13.
10 acres in Sec. 15, 39, 13. 10 acres in Sec. 15, 39, 13.
320 acres in Sec. 19, 40, 13. 80 acres in Sec. 32, 39, 13.

FOR SALE—15½ ACRES, 13¼ UNDER CULTIVAtion, fine grove, comfortable house and out-houses, very fine well and cistern, 25¢ mile from a beautiful lake, 8½ miles from the flourishing town of Barrington, 32 miles from Chicago, on the C. & N. W. R. R.; terms easy. Inquire of M. H. MAHONEY, Barrington, Ill.

FOR SALE—WASHINGTON HEIGHTS—CHEAP lots, $100 each; no money down, monthly payments; better than any savings bank. Call at Room 6, No. 77 East Washington-st. Open Saturday evenings.

FOR SALE—SOUTH EVANSTON—A LARGE, FINEly finished house, 14 rooms, on lot to suit in size, on monthly payments, by owners, TILLOTSON BROS., 979 and 274 State-st.

FOR SALE—ENGLEWOOD—TWO LARGE 2-STORY houses, first-class finish; one cottage, 6 rooms, one block from depot; cheap; 6¢ mile from city; monthly payments—by owners. TILLOTSON BROS., 979 and 274 State-st.

FOR SALE — EVANSTON — CHOICE LOTS 25x180 feet, $150 each, on monthly payments. Also, choice lots, monthly or annual payments. COMMONS & BEST, 146 LaSalle-st.

FOR SALE—VERY CHEAP—GOOD BRICK HOUSE, barn, and one acre land; abundance choice fruit; near depot; 60 minutes' ride from Chicago; if you want a home cheap, now is your chance. WHIPPLE & CLARKSON, 138 South Clark-st.

FOR SALE—NEW TWO-STORY FRAME HOUSE, 10 rooms, with good cellar; lot 50x150; 6 miles from Chicago, 25 trains pass every day; price $3,500, $500 cash, balance monthly to suit. 5 years, 8 per cent; you that want a good home should at once call and make inquiry. J. S. GOULD & CO., 119 Dearborn-st.

FOR SALE—IN COTTAGE GROVE, FRONTING Drexel Park, double house, 10 rooms each, with the modern improvements at a sacrifice if taken this week. J. S. GOULD & CO., 119 Dearborn-st.

FOR SALE—40 ACRES IN SECTION 20, T. 39, R. 13, Cook County, $40 per acre, on five days. BASH & SHAFLEY, Room 6, Otis Block.

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—OR EXCHANGE FOR CITY PROPerty or a stock of goods, a 2½ story brick block, 48 feet front by 100 feet deep, now occupied as a hotel and stores on first floor. The above block is in good repair, productive, and unincumbered, situated in a flourishing and beautiful village only 30 miles from the city. No objection to assuming some incumbrance or paying some cash to effect a trade. Call on or address J. W. STORRY, Room 3, 167 and 169 LaSalle-st.

FOR SALE—THE BEAUTIFUL OVERMAN FARM at Bloomington, Illinois, is in the market at $20 per acre; the best bargain in farm property in the West; 2,000 acres, all under fence; 1,000 in timber; 1,000 in blue-grass pasture; east of State and north of Fourteenth-st. Address 24, Tribune office.

FOR SALE—WE HAVE SOME CHOICE LOTS ON the West Side, on Western-av., Oakley, Flournoy, and Southwestern-av.; some bargains for cash; others no money down to parties who will build. RICE & CADWELL, Rooms 19 and 20, McCormick Block, corner Dearborn and Randolph-sts.

FOR SALE—OR EXCHANGE—A FINE IMPROVED farm, on Clear Creek, Ill. C. C. THAYER & CO., 126 East Madison-st.

FOR SALE—OR EXCHANGE—GOOD BUSINESS property in Woodstock, McHenry Co.; also, 40 acres timber land. For particulars call at 85 State-st.

FOR SALE—OR PART EXCHANGE—100 ACRES of beautiful village property, 45 minutes' ride from Chicago. CLAFLIN BROS. & CO., 121 LaSalle-st.

FOR SALE—OR PART EXCHANGE—40-ACRE dairy farm, highly improved; on a macadamized road; an hour's ride out. CLAFLIN BROS. & CO., 121 LaSalle-st.

FOR SALE—OR EXCHANGE—EXCELLENT TWO-story house, with large improved lot, in Morris, Ill.; house contains 8 rooms, city cellar, etc.; immediate possession given. Address G 14, Tribune office.

FOR SALE—AND EXCHANGE — OVER FORTY farms and large tracts of timber and prairie, in Michigan, Wisconsin, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, etc., many having the very finest improvements; prices from $1,100 to $100,000; terms to suit. Call at 59 East Madison-st., Room 13. J. C. HUSBACH.

FOR SALE—$1 PER ACRE—1,200 ACRES OF heavy timberland, in Mississippi County, Arkansas. T. B. BLACKSTONE, 120 West Madison-st.

FOR SALE—CHOICE IMPROVED FARMS OF 40, 80, 120, 215, and 480 acres, within 25 miles of Chicago, at decided bargains. WHIPPLE & CLARKSON, 138 South Clark-st.

FOR SALE—OR EXCHANGE—FIVE ACRES LAND and house and good orchard in village of Mannheim, near Northwestern R. R. depot. Inquire and see 515 Butterfield-st. Cheap for cash or on easy terms. Address or inquire S. DOLL, 515 Butterfield-st.

REAL ESTATE WANTED.

WANTED—REAL ESTATE, IMPROVED OR SUITable for improvement; incumbrance no objection; for which we will pay in cash. Also, 2 large parcels of unincumbered lots on North and South Sides. BALDWIN, WALKER & CO., No. 7 Hawley Building, corner Dearborn and Madison-sts.

WANTED—A BRICK OR A STONE-FRONT HOUSE (South Side preferred), worth from $9,000 to $15,000. I will pay $4,000 cash, and balance in good stocks, or in suburban lots less than 6 miles south of the Court-House. Parties wanting the money worse than the house address, stating location, price, and amount of incumbrance, to any, 2 36, Tribune office.

WANTED—A SMALL, WELL-IMPROVED FARM near this city; also first-class flouring-mill in good wheat region; will exchange for Chicago property. Apply to W. S. PROUDFOOT, No. 155 LaSalle-st.

WANTED—SUBURBAN LOT, TO BE PAID FOR in grazing; hay jobs solicited. BUSHNELL & CO., Fulton Market, Room 17, south-west corner State and Madison-sts.

WANTED—A GOOD HOUSE AND LOT OF $4,000 to $6,000 cash, with monthly payments; a lot worth $4,000. R. KENNEDY, 146 Clark-st., Room 26.

WANTED—SMALL COTTAGE AND LOT IN good neighborhood; must be a bargain and terms easy. R. KENNEDY, 146 Clark-st., Room 26.

WANTED—HOUSE AND LARGE LOT, WEST or South Side, worth $6,000 to $10,000. Owner only need apply. No commission paid. No objection to incumbrance. E. H. BULKLEY or GEO. J. SHERMAN, 52 Washington-st.

WANTED—HOUSE AND LOT ON SOUTH SIDE, worth not less than $5,000, $1,000 cash, eight rooms. F. C. VIERLING, Room 18, 126 Dearborn-st.

WANTED—IMPROVED FARM OF 320 OR 400 acres in Eastern Kansas. R. KENNEDY, 146 Clark-st., Room 26.

WANTED—PARTIES HAVING CHEAP CITY AND suburban lots, or lots and houses, and would pay a commission on sales, please call or send your address, particulars, &c., to J. STONE & CO., 150 State-st., and 278 and 280 West Madison-st.

WANTED—PARTIES HAVING CITY AND COUNty real estate of any and all descriptions to be sold or exchanged, will do well to address or call on J. STONE & CO., 150 State-st., or 278 and 280 West Madison-st.

WANTED—TO BUY, FOR CASH, A SMALL HOUSE and lot in a good neighborhood, not to exceed $3,500. Only those offering a decided bargain need apply. Address, in full only, to P. SORLICHTER ULLA, 351 and 353 Wabash-av.

WANTED—20-FOOT LOT WEST OF THROOP-ST., between Polk and Taylor; 66 to 99 cash; best terms. Address, two days, T 61, Tribune office.

WANTED—TO BUY—100 OR 200-FOOT CORNER at Irving Park or Montrose. Will pay part or all cash. E. H. BULKLEY, 52 Washington-st.

WANTED—A COTTAGE AND LOT, NORTH OF Thirty-second-st. and east of State, for which I will pay nearly all cash. H. S. DISTRICH, 148 LaSalle-st.

WANTED—DESIRABLE CHICAGO REAL ESTATE in exchange for a desirable Illinois city; no fancy prices paid. JAMES, Room 5, 142 South Clark-st.

WANTED—A DESIRABLE BUSINESS PROPERTY in exchange for house and lot on Prairie-av., near Thirty-first-st., valued at $40,000. unincumbered. WALD. PALMER, 148 LaSalle-st.

WANTED—SMALL HOUSE IN THE COUNTRY, south front, not over 30 minutes' ride south of the city property; CLAFLIN, BROS. & CO., 121 LaSalle-st.

WANTED—TO BUY A HOUSE AND LOT ON West Side. Pay in new stock of goods and choice real estate. Call on or address OWNER, Room 13, 324 South Halsted-st.

SEWING MACHINES.

SINGER—BUY YOUR SEWING-MACHINES FROM the regular Singer offices, 155 South Halsted-st., and 64 Sixth-st. Sold on monthly payments. Open evenings.

SINGER SEWING-MACHINES—OFFICES OF NICHOLS & PEARSON, 144 South Halsted-st., and 64 South Clark-st., up-stairs. Ladies by making a small cash payment can buy a machine, take our sewing home, and be paid in cash for all sewing done above the monthly payments. Hundreds are doing it. Come and examine for yourselves. All machines repaired and made as good as new.

SEVERAL IMPROVED FAMILY AND ONE MEdium Singer machine; also two Grover & Baker improved, for sale cheap, at 125 Clark-st., Room 24.

WILLCOX & GIBBS, THE BEST FAMILY SEWING machine. Thread, needles, oil and repairing. Wilcox & Gibbs S. M. Co., corner Wabash-av. and Adams-st.

FOR SALE—FINE LOTS AT ENGLEWOOD, AT less than resale prices, viz.: $15 per foot. Lots, West Side, $25 per foot. Lots on Lake-st., $50 per foot. Lots on Wabash-av., $75 per foot. Lots on Michigan-av., $100 per foot. Lots on Prairie-av., $125 per foot. Lots on Calumet-av., $150 per foot. Lots on Lake Park-av., $200 per foot. Lots on Lake-st., $250 per foot. Lots on Michigan-av., $300 per foot. Lots on Prairie-av., $350 per foot. Lots on Calumet-av., $400 per foot. Lots on Lake Park-av., $450 per foot. Lots on Lake-st., $500 per foot. Lots on Michigan-av., $550 per foot. Lots on Prairie-av., $600 per foot. Lots on Calumet-av., $650 per foot. Lots on Lake Park-av., $700 per foot. Lots on Lake-st., $750 per foot. Lots on Michigan-av., $800 per foot. Lots on Prairie-av., $850 per foot. Lots on Calumet-av., $900 per foot. Lots on Lake Park-av., $950 per foot. Lots on Lake-st., $1,000 per foot. Lots on Michigan-av., $1,050 per foot. Lots on Prairie-av., $1,100 per foot. 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TO RENT--BY WM. H. SAMPSON & CO., REAL Estate and Renting Agency, 144 LaSalle-st., Otis Block:

SOUTH DIVISION.

New 2-story and basement brick houses, Nos. 1122, 1127, 1129, and 1135 Prairie-av.; 10 rooms each; all the modern improvements; only $60 a month.

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Two-story house southwest corner Fulton and Peoria-sts., 8 room each.

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Furnished house on Indiana-av., near Twenty-third-st. 16 Herbert-place, on Douglas Park.

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Cottage on Twenty-sixth-st., suitable for two families. 6 rooms and bath. Inquire at 1 Chicago.

272 Buddan-st., $20 per month.

F. EVANS & CO., 160 LaSalle-st., basement.

TO RENT--DWELLING 477 HUBBARD-ST., COR-ner of Ashland-av., cheap. W. WALLER, Room 1, 92 State-st.

TO RENT--A NEW 1½-STORY FRAME COTTAGE, 68 North Lincoln-st., near Fulton. Apply at 168 South Lincoln-st.

TO RENT--HOUSE 9 ROOMS, 123 NORTH PAULI-NA-st.; gas, marble mantel, in good order. Apply to owner, 1394 North Paulina-st., up stairs. Only $8.

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TO RENT--2 STORY AND BASEMENT BRICK house on Oakley-av., furnished. WM. M. WHIT-NEY & CO., 149 Madison-st.

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TO RENT--COTTAGE OF 6 ROOMS, WITH WATER and gas, in the second cottage south of Thirty-sev-enth-st., on Langley, and adjacent to Ellis Park. For particulars, inquire of GEO. W. BLAIR, corner Thirty-seventh and Langley-sts., or of SINCLAIR & BLAIR, Job Printers, Nos. 82 and 84 Clark-st., corner Monroe.

TO RENT--A COTTAGE OF 6 ROOMS, 842 FULTON-st., near Hoyne-av.

TO RENT--NO. 933 MICHIGAN-AV., CONTAINS SIX rooms, and $35 per month. F. C. VIERLING, Room 15, 126 Dearborn-st.

TO RENT--NO. 636 NORTH LA SALLE-ST., CORNER Eugenie. Rent $35 per month. Inquire of brick house, with all modern improvements. Apply to WM. C. DOW, 81 Tribune Building.

TO RENT--176 ROBEY-ST., BETWEEN VAN BU-ren and Jackson, 6 rooms, closets, and water in kit-chen.

TO RENT--GOOD 2-STORY 7-ROOM HOUSE, 22 Paulina, near Madison. For terms, call at 618 Mon-roe-st.

TO RENT--No. 312 PORTLAND-AV., $20 PER PER month. Cottage on Thirteenth-st., near Buddan, $15 per month. 254 Wentworth-av., $18; within a few doors of Indiana-av.

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TO RENT--BRICK HOUSE, WITH ALL MODERN improvements, including furnace, all in splendid order. Apply 422 West Van Buren-st.

TO RENT--FURNISHED, MODERN BRICK house, 12 rooms, on West Washington-st. The rent will be taken in board to the right party. E 65, Tribune office.

TO RENT--FURNISHED HOUSE OF 12 ROOMS, with all modern conveniences; 2-story and basement, with bath, on West Washington-st., No. 345, 7-room cot-tage, No. 326 Parker-av. House, 7 rooms, bath, on West Washington-st., $25. Also, 6 or 9 rooms over store No. 262 West Madison. Inquire of D. LEONARD, 179 East Madison-st.

TO RENT--126 WABASH-AV.--2-STORY FRAME-furnace if desired; terms very reasonable; must be let at once. Room 16, 149 LaSalle-st.

TO RENT--THE NEW, 2-STORY AND BASEMENT, octagon-front, brick dwelling house, 29 St. John's-place. This house has all the modern conveniences; has just been completed, and is within a few doors of Union Park. Apply to the owner, 231 West Washington-st.

TO RENT--1254 INDIANA-AV.--FURNISHED; COM-plete 2-story and basement frame house; 9 rooms, with hot and cold water, furnace, &c. Inquire of GEO. W. NEWBURY, successor to DREW & NEWBURY, Rooms 8 and 9 Bryan Block.

TO RENT--VERY DESIRABLE COTTAGE, SIX rooms, bath-room, and all modern conveniences. Apply to W. H. SAMPSON & CO., Real Estate and Renting Agency, 144 LaSalle-st., Otis Block.

TO RENT--CHEAP, ONE OR TWO BRICK houses on Sangamon-st., between Indiana and Illinois. MEAD & COE, 153 LaSalle-st.

TO RENT--VERY DESIRABLE 8-STORY FRAME house, 1868 Prairie-av.; will be rented completely furnished or unfurnished to a good family. Inquire on premises. Owner, husband daughter will board with tenant if de-sired. WM. H. SAMPSON & CO., 144 LaSalle-st., Otis Block.

TO RENT--A FEW MORE OF THOSE CONVENIENT dwelling rate left in the new Pierce Block, corner of Sangamon and Randolph-sts. Call immediately if you wish to secure one. WM. H. SAMPSON & CO., 144 La-Salle-st., Otis Block.

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TO RENT--SOUTH SIDE, ONE BLOCK FROM Fort-Office, house of 10 rooms; reasonable rent to good tenant. JOHN M. WAITE, 188 Dearborn-st.

TO RENT--SECOND FLOOR IN PRIVATE HOUSE of 5 rooms, for $24 month, with gas, West Side. Apply to MORSE, 130 Clark-st., Room 5.

TO RENT--LOWER PART OF HOUSE 705 WEST Lake-st.; rent, $15. Apply at house.

TO RENT--A FIRST-CLASS WELL-FURNISHED two-story residence, in a private family, has furnace and hot water on every floor. 66 Twenty-ninth-st.; fine piano.

TO RENT--FURNISHED HOUSE TO A GOOD TEN-ant; 6 rooms for rent. Apply at once at 1018 Michigan-av.

TO RENT--PARTIES WISHING TO RENT HOUSES, rooms furnished or unfurnished, stores, etc., call on A. STONE & CO., Rooms 2 and 3, 278 and 280 West Madison-st.

TO RENT--A COMPLETELY-FURNISHED HOUSE, 2 story frame and good cellar, hot and cold water, bath, &c., situated on West Side, and near business facilities; first-class. Address O 70, Tribune office.

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TO RENT--$21.50 PER MONTH; MICHIGAN-AV., near Sixteenth-st.; lower half of fine house perfect-ly arranged for housekeeping. Address J 60, Tribune office.

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TO RENT--ONE COTTAGE OF 6 ROOMS, PLEAS-ant, situated; modern conveniences; with furnace; cot new of barn. For further particulars, apply to 99 Sedgwick-st., or to C. PROBST, at Frank Bros.'

TO RENT--COTTAGE, FIVE ROOMS, 424 WEST Van Buren-st., near Throop. Apply Monday.

TO RENT--9 HOUSES, 8 ROOMS IN EACH; ONE $28; the other $24, to desirable tenants can pay a few months in advance; all in good repair; call on premises, 83 Fulton-st.

TO RENT--A 9-ROOM HOUSE WITH BARN. AP-ply 78 South Lincoln-st.

TO RENT--CHEAP, TWO COTTAGES, ONE ON the South the other on the West Side. A. E. GUILD, 84½ Clark-st., Rooms 10 and 12, 80 Dearborn-st.

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TO RENT--HOUSE OF TEN ROOMS AND A BARN, 178 Michigan-st.; furniture for sale or cheap, if de-sired. Apply at the house or 31 South Water-st.

TO RENT--FIRST STORY, SIX ROOMS, 5 WIL-low-st. (new) to a small family; rent $20.

TO RENT--TWO-STORY AND BASEMENT HOUSE, 1054 Wabash-av., northeast corner Twenty-sixth-st. Inquire at 1052 Wabash-av.

TO RENT--UPPER PART OF HOUSE, 178 SOUTH Desplaines-st., containing six rooms, closets, water in the kitchen, &c. Inquire down-stairs.

TO RENT--COTTAGE 8 ROOM, NEAR TWENTY-eighth-st. and lake-shore; hot and cold water, sewer, fine mantle, mantel, &c; all modern improve-ments and in good condition. Possession immediate. Apply to COTTAGE, Room 3 Custom-House.

TO RENT--FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED, 1146 Wabash-av., near Thirteenth-st., marble front, mod-ern improvements, dozen rooms; price low. Call at house or on T. J. MAPES, Room 17 Portland Block.

TO RENT--A COTTAGE CONTAINING 4 ROOMS; water in the yard; cars passing it within 100 feet. 132 Indiana-av.; rent, $8. Apply at 146 Aberdeen-st.

TO RENT--$20. 10 ROOM HOUSE ON FOURTH-av., near Elizabeth and Indiana-sts. Inquire at 1 ROBINSON, Room 12, Methodist Block.

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TO RENT--PRETTY AND SUBSTANTIAL COT-tage of 6 rooms, near Lincoln-st. Choice neighbor-hood; rent at $12. T. KING, 112 Dearborn-st.

TO RENT--VERY CHEAP TO GOOD TENANTS, my residence, 13 rooms, 2 bath-rooms, 2 water-closets, 2 cellars, near Thirty-seventh-st.; 8 rooms, cot-tage, Park-st., near Western-av.; 6 rooms, cot-tage, 56 Butterfield, near Thirty-seventh-st.; 8 rooms, cot-tage, 56 West Adams-st.; rent low until May 1. Apply 24 South Water-st.

TO RENT--NEW BRICK HOUSE, 6 ROOMS, GAS, water, and mantels, 526 West Polk-st., near cars.

TO RENT--HOUSES.

TO RENT--BY GEORGE G. NEWBURY, SUC-cessor to Drew & Newbury, General Real Estate and Renting Agent, Rooms 8 and 9 Bryan Block, No. 104 La-Salle-st.:

1461 Prairie-av., 2-story house, 9 rooms, furnished, $30.

1396 Indiana-av., 2-story and basement brick dwelling, furnished.

373 Michigan-av., 2-story and basement house, cheap.

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16 Cottage-place, 2-story and basement house, $400.

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22 Silver-st., cottage, $20.

168 and 170 Throop-st., new 2-story and basement bricks, modern improvements, furnaces, &c., $60.

720 West Tyler-st., $22.

138 North Market-st., new 2-story and basement brick, will be rented cheap to May, 1874.

Also, a large list of furnished and unfurnished houses in all parts of the city.

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TO RENT--A NEAT COTTAGE AND LOT NEAR Union Park; parties will sell furniture at a sacrifice, if desired. Inquire of HIGH & CALDWELL, Rooms 19 and 20 McCormick Block, Dearborn and Randolph-sts.

TO RENT--TWO-STORY FRAME AND BRICK-basement house, 590 Fulton-st.; eight rooms, gas, and water. Price, $35 per month. Apply at 507 Ful-ton-st.

TO RENT--THE LOWER PART OF BRICK COT-tage, No. 874 Fulton-st., near Oakley. Six rooms, gas and water; in order for comfortable housekeeping; location good. Rent, $15 per month.

TO RENT--FURNISHED HOUSE OF 14 ROOMS ON Wabash-av., near Peck-court. Inquire of ISAAC COOLE, 259 Wabash-av.

TO RENT--FIRST FLOOR OF STORY AND BASE-ment cottage, 813 Thirty-third-st., corner Butterfield. Four nice rooms, clean and in good order. Rent $20 per month. Apply on premises.

TO RENT--541 ARCHER-AV., FOUR BLOCKS WEST of Halsted-st., a large 2-story house, with barn and large lot, suitable for boarding-house, saloon, and grocery store; will be rented cheap to a good tenant. There is in the house, and for sale cheap if required, a number of beds, bedding, and stoves, with kitchen and saloon fur-niture and fixtures. Apply at 341 Canal-st., corner Har-rison.

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TO RENT--A RARE OPPORTUNITY FOR A LADY--A cottage of 8 rooms and closets, fully furnished, fur-niture for sale, centrally located, in a quiet neighbor-hood. Address M 17, Tribune office.

TO RENT--A FINE 8-STORY HOUSE, 9 ROOMS, water on both floors. 92 Fremont-st. Only $25 per month.

TO RENT--661 ELSTON-ROAD, A NEW 8-ROOM cottage, with closets, pantry, and basement. $14 per month. Apply on premises.

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TO RENT--UPPER PART OF HOUSE 616 BURN-side-st., near Thirty-second; $20 per month. Apply at 1127 State-st.

TO RENT--A FURNISHED COTTAGE A FEW blocks south of Oakland, near Cottage Grove-av., $30 per month. S 43, Tribune office.

TO RENT--NEAR LINCOLN PARK, NEW 2-STORY and basement brick, 11 rooms, bath-room, hot and cold water, and barn. Also 2-story frame, 9 rooms. Two-story and basement, 11 rooms, first-class. Robey-st., near Adams-st., --all low to 1st May. W. J. DAVIS, 160 Mad-ison-st.

TO RENT--VERY CHEAP TO A GOOD TENANT, five new marble-front residences of ten rooms each; first-class in every respect; now occupied; Nos. 598, 600, 602, 610, and 612 Van Buren-st., just west of Ashland-av. Also a fine residence, with large grounds, southeast corner Park-av. and Oakley-st. I will give long leases at panic prices. CARTER H. HARRISON, 48 East Wash-ington-st.

TO RENT--UPPER PART OF COTTAGE; 6 ROOMS, closets and pantry; water up stairs. Rent, $15. Ap-ply at 276 Fayo-st.

TO RENT--WABASH-AV.--MY FURNISHED RES-idence; a first-class house with fine surroundings. To the right family a very low rent will be made. WM. H. BROOKS, JR., 182 LaSalle-st.

TO RENT--UNTIL MAY 1, TO A RESPONSIBLE party, a nicely-furnished boarding-house of 13 rooms, in a good location on the South Side, and nearly full of boarders. Sickness cause of change. Address S 87, Trib-une office.

TO RENT--FURNISHED HOUSE, TEN ROOMS, cheap, till May 1; on Michigan-av., blocks south of Twenty-second-st. Address Q 78, Tribune office.

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TO RENT--THREE 6-ROOM COTTAGE HOUSES on Twenty-first, $12 per month; one on Thirty-first, $10 per month. WM. J. TEWKESBURY, 70 East Van Bu-ren-st.

TO RENT--CHEAP, DESIRABLE 6-ROOM COTTAGE on Cobb-lane. Call at house 243 West Polk-st.

TO RENT--A DESIRABLE HOUSE AND HOUSE-hold furniture; reasonable terms; none but responsi-ble parties need apply. Call Mrs. MOLLIE CARROLL, 127 West Washington-st.

TO RENT--A SUPERIOR COTTAGE OF 8 ROOMS, 665 Burnside-st., rent $30 per month; ready for oc-cupancy. Inquire on premises.

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TO RENT--A COTTAGE OF 8 ROOMS, NO. 602 SOUTH Dearborn-st.; rent, $25 per month. R. M. OUTHET & CO., 181 East Madison-st., Room 7.

TO RENT--TWO-STORY AND BASEMENT HOUSE of 10 rooms, No. 207½ Walnut-st. R. M. OUTHET & CO., 181 East Madison-st., Room 7.

TO RENT--TWO-STORY AND BASEMENT BRICK house 1169 Wabash-av., 11 rooms; all modern improve-ments; $75 per month, or will rent part of house.

TO RENT--A NUMBER OF FURNISHED AND UN-furnished houses, at a low rent. J. W. FAY, 129 LaSalle-st.

TO RENT--A COTTAGE HOUSE OF 5 ROOMS and 3 closets nearly new, water in the kitchen, one block from Milwaukee-av.; rent low to a good tenant. Inquire at 62 Elston-av.; corner.

TO RENT--NO. 1007 MONROE-ST.--MODERN TWO-story frame house, 10 rooms, one block from street-cars; $40 to a responsible party; worth $60. Inquire at house.

TO RENT--HOUSES BY S. M. MOORE & CUM-mings, 119 and 121 LaSalle-st.:

State-s., two nice cottages near Fortieth-st., $20.

West Washington-st., No. 855, 8-room house, cheap.

Western-av., No. 125, cosy cottage near Fulton-st., $20.

Milwaukee-av., No. 72, 6 rooms in marble front, $35.

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TO RENT--NICE NEW 8-ROOM HOUSE VERY cheap. No. 628 West Erie-st., just east of Ashland-av., good neighborhood.

TO RENT--ONE SPLENDID HOUSE ON WEST Adams-st.; one with fine barn on Indiana-av., at about half price to careful party. Inquire at 137 and low rent thereafter. EDMUND G. STILES, 80 East Madison-st., Room 7.

TO RENT--CHEAP--FIRST FLOOR OF 2-STORY cottage, No. 425 Arnold-st., 4 rooms, 2 closets, and pantry. Inquire on premises or at 251 Sedgwick-st.

TO RENT--AND FURNITURE FOR SALE--HOUSE of nine rooms in good location on West Side, $35. Address U 23, Tribune office.

TO RENT--NEW BRICK DWELLINGS OF 8 ROOMS each, near Lincoln Park, exceedingly low rent to good tenants. A. A. LATHROP, Room 24, 88 LaSalle-st.

TO RENT--HOUSE OF 8 ROOMS, 6 CLOSETS AND pantry, at 185 South Halsted-st. Inquire on the premises of GEORGE C. ROYNON.

TO RENT--A 5-ROOM COTTAGE WITH GOOD shed for barn. 2814 Fulton-st. Will the gentleman from North-av. call again?

TO RENT--FIRST FLOOR OF 56 MILLER-ST., OF 8 rooms with closets; water in kitchen. Terms, $16 in advance to a permanent tenant. Apply to OWNER, No. 106 Hubbard-st.

TO RENT--A 2-STORY FRAME HOUSE, 11 rooms, water, and gas. Low rate to a permanent ten-ant. Would take board for a couple in payment. 127 Loomis-st.

TO RENT--A COTTAGE WITH 4 ROOMS AND basement and good accommodation at 46 Scott-st., North Side.

TO RENT--TWO-STORY HOUSE, WITH OR without barn, 27 Lexington-st., near Harrison-st. and Southpark. 880 Indiana-av. Apply to GILBERT & GIVENS, 88 LaSalle-st.

TO RENT--HOUSE 435 WEST VAN BUREN-ST., 9 rooms, with all modern improvements. Rent, $40. Call at 429 West Tyler-st.

TO RENT--A COSILY-FURNISHED HOUSE OF 10 rooms on the West Side. Owners will remain if agree-able. Address L 69, Tribune office.

TO RENT--ON WASHINGTON-ST., NEAR CUR-tis, a 4-room marble-front house, with modern im-provements; good brick barn. Rent low to a good party. Apply to GOLDEN & FRESHWATERS, Room 15, 84 Clark-st.

TO RENT--BY D. COLE & SON, REAL ESTATE and House-renting Agents, 168 West Madison-st.: A large list of houses and parts of houses, from $13 to $75 per month.

TO RENT--A WELL-FURNISHED HOUSE OF 11 rooms, closets, furnace, and all improvements. Will rent cheap to the right party. Apply at 396 Chicago-av.

TO RENT--$30--12-ROOM HOUSE, 12 SOUTH PAU-lina-st., $30 per month; $25, 52 South Green-st. Rooms in brick block on Lake and May-sts. T. B. BOYD, 180 West Washington-st.

TO RENT--A HOUSE OF 10 ROOMS AND PART of it furnished for sale. A good place for boarders. At present rooms rented for lodgers. First-class location, near Union Park. Address L 87, Tribune office.

TO RENT--A BARN, 6 ROOMS, IN first-class condition, suitable for any good family, and cheap at $20. Inquire on premises, up-stairs.

TO RENT--DWELLING NO. 823 WABASH-AV., containing 16 rooms, hot and cold water, gas, bath-room, and stable; in a good barn attached. Inquire of DR. A. BURRAS, 159 Calumet-av.

TO RENT--COMFORTABLY FURNISHED HOUSE, north of Harrison-court; rent $70 per month. Owners will board for use of furniture. Address O 94, Tribune office.

TO RENT--A PLEASANT 9-ROOM COTTAGE AND good barn, No. 14 North Curtis-st. House in good re-pair. Will rent cheap to a good tenant. Inquire at Room B, 134 East Madison-st.

TO RENT--NO. 165 FOURTH-AV., 2-STORY FRAME house of 8 rooms, $30 a month. Inquire at butcher's shop, corner Polk-st. and Fourth-av., or 450 South State-st.

TO RENT--HOUSE NO. 1038 WABASH-AV. AT LOW price. Possession at once. Apply to ALFRED JAMES, 1446 Wabash-av.

TO RENT--COTTAGE, 7 ROOMS, NO. 360 CARROLL-st., near Elizabeth, $25 per month. Inquire at No. 43 North Ada-st.

TO RENT--HOUSE, 8 ROOMS, NO. 72 WALNUT-st., $25 per month. Inquire at 449 West Randolph-st.; second floor.

TO RENT--2 COTTAGES--16 SEELEY-ST. 77 Adams-st., and 775 Jackson-st. Apply at 71 South Robey-st.

TO RENT--HOUSE 17 ROOMS, 24 BISHOP-COURT. Inquire 125 Washington-st., Room 18.

TO RENT--DWELLING NO. 745 WEST WASHING-ton-st., between Hoyne and Leavitt-sts. F. A. SMITH, 123 Washington-st., Room 42.

TO RENT--158 ASHLAND-AV., MARBLE FRONT residence, 13 rooms. HENRY WALLER, Jr., Room 4, 66 Washington-st.

TO RENT--CHEAP, NICE COTTAGE OF FIVE rooms, 205 Wood-st. Apply at 50 Ashland Block, or 90 South Sangamon-st.

TO RENT--HOUSES.

TO RENT--TWO-STORY FURNISHED HOUSE, 9 rooms, on Prairie-av., near Thirty-second-st.; very reasonable to a No. 1 tenant. GILBERT & GIVENS, 88 LaSalle-st.

TO RENT--NO. 415 WARREN-AV.; NO. 67 HAMIL-ton-av. No. 1008 Madison-st. No. 592 Madison-st. GEO. D. FRASK, 99 Clark-st., Room 12.

TO RENT--SIX-ROOM COTTAGE, WATER AND gas, No. 69 Cottage Grove-av., near Twenty-third-st.

Suburban.

TO RENT--AT $11 PER MONTH, A HOUSE OF 7 rooms, at Austin; railroad fare only 7½ cents. In-quire of DR. N. W. ABBOTT, 145 South Clark-st.

TO RENT--ROOMS.

TO RENT--135 AND 137 EAST WASHINGTON-ST., near Chamber of Commerce, nicely furnished rooms, very cheap; also one unfurnished room on third floor. Apply at Room 27.

TO RENT--CHEAP--BEAUTIFUL SUITES OF TWO to ten rooms at $3 to $1 per room for housekeeping, in new brick building, cor. Lake-st. and Western-av. MUSSELWHITE.

TO RENT--A LARGE, SINGLE ROOM WITH fine closets, gas, hot and cold water; also a bath. References required. 423 Michigan-av.

TO RENT--ONE HANDSOMELY FURNISHED room, to a couple, with or without board; water in the room, and bath-room; house has all modern conveniences, furnace included; $15 per week; private family. 796 Wabash-av.

TO RENT--6 NICE ROOMS ON WEST MADISON-st., near Robey, for permanent and quiet board with a genteel family. R. KENNEDY, 148 Clark-st., Rooms 26 and 27.

TO RENT--895 FULTON-ST., NEAR LAKE-ST. cars, an unfurnished front parlor and bed-room at $8 per month.

TO RENT--TWO MEN KEEPING BACHELOR-hall will give the use of two rooms to a suitable party who will keep in their fire and assist in housekeeping. To a woman that is a good seamstress, board will be fur-nished to earn fair wages. Location near Twenty-second-st. Address A. JOHNSON, JR., Post-Office.

TO RENT--THE UPPER FLOOR, CONTAINING 8 nice rooms, of a first-class brick residence, with all modern improvements. Inquire at 710 West Monroe-st.

TO RENT--WITH BOARD--TEN ROOMS COMMU-nicating, up one flight, Southern exposure, furnished or unfurnished. 16 Bishop-court.

TO RENT--CHEAP--THE UPPER PART OF A house; 5 rooms; or the whole, and board man and wife. 456 South Park-av.

TO RENT--CHEAP--FOUR GOOD ROOMS IN THE rear of 127 Superior-st. Inquire at L. A. BROWN'S, 47 North Clark-st., or at 127 Superior-st.

TO RENT--IN PRIVATE FAMILY, TO ONE OR two gentlemen or gentleman and wife, a south-front double-room, heated by furnace. 10 minutes from Lake-st. Breakfast and tea if desired. 338 Chicago-av.

TO RENT--CHEAP--FOUR GOOD-SIZED ROOMS, clothes-press, pantry, water in kitchen, yard, and coal-house. 630 West Madison-st.

TO RENT--PLEASANT FURNISHED ROOMS AT panic rates, at 184 Twenty-third-st., near State; con-venient to street-cars.

TO RENT--FIVE (5) ROOMS; LOCATION FIRST-class; part-pay can be required. Apply on the premises, 478 West Jackson-st.

TO RENT--870 FULTON-ST.--LOWER PART OF house to family without children; also furnished rooms, cheap, to gentlemen or ladies.

TO RENT--A PLEASANT FURNISHED ROOM, AT 13 North May-st.

TO RENT--THREE OR FIVE PLEASANT ROOMS for housekeeping, on West Side. Address G 40, Tri-bune office.

TO RENT--ROOMS FOR LIGHT HOUSEKEEPING at low rates can be had at 662 West Jackson-st., or would let two front rooms with or without board.

TO RENT--FURNISHED FRONT ROOMS, OVER-looking the lake, near the Post Office; terms very moderate. Inquire at Room 106, 15 Congress-st.

TO RENT--227 WEST LAKE-ST.--FURNISHED rooms for gentleman and wife or single gentleman, rent from $6 to $16 per month.

TO RENT--163 SOUTH GREEN-ST., BETWEEN Adams and Jackson, two well furnished rooms for gentlemen; bath-room and modern improvements in hall.

TO RENT--SUITE OF NICELY FURNISHED front rooms, suitable for 2 or 4 young men, with or without board. Apply at 301 West Madison-st.

TO RENT--$30 PER MONTH, BRICK BASEMENT, No. 94 Twenty-fifth-st., 3 rooms, gas, and water, newly painted and calsimined. Inquire on the premises.

TO RENT--FURNISHED HOUSE, TEN ROOMS, cheap, till May 1; on Michigan-av., blocks south of Twenty-second-st. Address Q 78, Tribune office.

TO RENT--A NICELY FURNISHED ROOM TO 2 gentlemen, with or without board; good reference required. Apply at 339 West Harrison-st.

TO RENT--FRONT ROOM, WITH ALCOVE, WITH-out board. 686 Wabash-av.

TO RENT--6 ROOMS ON SECOND AND THIRD floors in a brick building, No. 86 Dearborn-st., for housekeeping. Apply to WM. C. DOW, 81 Tribune Building.

TO RENT--4 ROOMS, CLOSETS, AND PANTRY. Water in kitchen. 478 Butterfield-st., near Twen-ty-ninth.

TO RENT--AT 85 TWENTY-SECOND-ST.--TWO pleasant front rooms, with or without board.

TO RENT--CHEAP--A FURNISHED FRONT ROOM. 118 West Jackson-st.

TO RENT--TWO OR FOUR FURNISHED ROOMS for housekeeping; rent moderate; or would sell furni-ture. No. 34 Cornsalla-st., near Milwaukee-av. cars.

TO RENT--THREE ROOMS AND PANTRY ON 1st floor; rent $9 per month. 29 Throop-st., corner Harri-son. Apply at 414 West Madison-st.

TO RENT--TWO PARLORS AND SLEEPING-room cheap, at No. 16 East Twelfth-st.

TO RENT--ROOMS--FOUR OR SIX UNFURNISHED rooms, with closets, pantry, water in kitchen; in new building on Milwaukee-av., near Chicago-av. Rent, $10 to $12. Address Y 16, Tribune office.

TO RENT--5 ROOMS AT 146 NORTH ADA-ST.

TO RENT--A PLEASANT SLEEPING-ROOM IN A business block, on fourth floor. Clark-st., between Madison and Monroe. Rent only $12 per month. Apply to D. J. CROCKER, Rooms 6 and 7, 87 Clark-st.

TO RENT--THREE NICELY FURNISHED FRONT rooms, also small rooms, suitable for lady and gen-tleman or single gentlemen. 1100 Indiana-av.

TO RENT--TWO NICELY FURNISHED FRONT rooms, without board, to one or two gentlemen. Ap-ply at 52 St. John's-place.

TO RENT--FURNISHED ROOMS NEAR FULTON and Leavitt-sts., to gentlemen or gentleman and lady, without board. 116 Randolph-st., Room 11.

TO RENT--ELEGANT FURNISHED ROOMS AT reduced prices, Kingsbury Block, 115 and 117 East Randolph-st., near Sherman and Tremont Houses, Room 31.

TO RENT--AN ELEGANT FURNISHED PARLOR and bed-room (private family), with gas and stove, for 1 or 2 gentlemen. Marble house. References re-quired. 125 North Clark-st., third floor.

TO RENT--A PLEASANT FURNISHED ROOM TO a gentleman in private family. 609 Wabash-av.

TO RENT--BASEMENT OF 3 ROOMS--FURNITURE for sale; furnished and unfurnished rooms. 69 Wal-nut-st.

TO RENT--FURNISHED AND UNFURNISHED rooms, centrally located. Apply at 124 Clark-st., corner of Madison, third floor.

TO RENT--VERY REASONABLE; TWO NEAT, airy front rooms, partly furnished, at 207 North Dear-born-st., near Chicago-av. Would do for light house-keeping.

TO RENT--5 ROOMS, PANTRY AND CLOSET, water in kitchen, very cheap. Also 2 unfurnished rooms. 274 Fairty-first-st.

TO RENT--NO. 656 WEST LAKE-ST.; 7 FURNISHED rooms in exchange for board for one, or will board families or five gentlemen; clean quarters; good board; have no other boarders.

TO RENT--FURNISHED FRONT ROOM, FIRE and gas, with or without board, at 113 South Green.

TO RENT -- UNFURNISHED WARMED AND lighted rooms, Indiana-av., near Twenty-fourth-st. No table to board. Address O. M., Box 116.

TO RENT--ELEGANTLY FURNISHED ROOMS AT $20, $22, and $24 per month; also by the day and week, at the St. Julien European Hotel, 153 Dearborn-st.

TO RENT--FURNISHED ROOMS, BY the day or month, on the first and second floors of Exchange Building, for gentlemen only. Inquire at Room 43, corner of Washington and Clark-sts.

TO RENT--ONE SUITE OF FURNISHED ROOMS to four young men. Also single rooms furnished or unfurnished. No. 169 Franklin-st., southeast corner Washington.

TO RENT--TO A FAMILY WITHOUT CHILDREN, four or six rooms fully furnished, with every conve-nience for housekeeping. None but responsible parties need apply. 113 South Halsted-st.

TO RENT--AT 75 NICELY FURNISHED ROOMS AT prices to suit times; not for housekeeping. 338 West Madison-st., corner Peoria.

TO RENT--TO GENTLEMEN, A NEATLY FUR-nished room, with fire, gas, and all conveniences, at 55 South Clark-st.

TO RENT--A VERY HANDSOMELY FURNISHED front room, suitable for single gentleman, in a fine private house, at moderate price. Call and examine at 670 Wabash-av.

TO RENT--PLEASANT FRONT ROOMS, SINGLE or en suite, with board, if preferred, furnished or unfurnished. 79 Honore-st.

TO RENT--PLEASANT FRONT ROOM AND BED-room, suitable for light housekeeping. 717 Washing-ton-av.

TO RENT--A LARGE FRONT ROOM, FURNISHED for lodging, at 67 West Van Buren-st., entrance on Clinton-st.; location good, being convenient to business. Call Monday.

TO RENT--3 OR 5 NICE ROOMS--FRONT OF house; suitable for housekeeping; two doors from street car and 3 blocks from 12th South Green-st. Rooms in brick block on Lake and May-sts. T. B. BOYD, 180 West Washington-st.

TO RENT--A HOUSE OF 10 ROOMS AND PART of it furnished for sale. A good place for boarders. At present rooms rented for lodgers. First-class location, near Union Park. Address L 87, Tribune office.

TO RENT--DESIRABLE ROOMS IN HOUSES NOS. 30 Miller-st. and 113 West Polk-st. Inquire at 113 West Polk-st., in basement.

TO RENT--TWO LARGE FRONT ROOMS, FUR-nished or unfurnished, 79 Rush-st. Apply Monday.

TO RENT --

SHOCKING ACCIDENT.

The Chicago Malleable Iron-Works the Scene of the Catastrophe.

The Roof of an Unfinished Building Suddenly Gives Way.

Two Workmen Killed and Three Seriously Injured---Narrow Escape of Several Others.

While depression in financial circles, and apprehension of foreign difficulties are casting dark shadows in many homes of the poor in this city, calamities that entail deeper gloom are constantly occurring. It was but a few weeks ago that an explosion at the North Side Rolling-Mills threw five workmen into a mass of molten iron, reducing three of them to

UNRECOGNIZABLE CINDERS,

and causing the death of the remaining two. But a week previous, an explosion at a pork-packing establishment in Bridgeport had blown two men and a boy to fragments which were with difficulty collected together. And now the shuddering sensibilities of our Sunday morning readers will be shocked

BY THE RELATION OF ANOTHER DEPLORABLE CALAMITY,

which occured at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, resulting in the immediate death of two men, and the wounding of three others, two of whom will probably die. The accident occured at the works of the Chicago Malleable Iron Company, located at the corner of Western avenue and Twenty-sixth street. The construction of these works was begun about six months ago, by an association of capitalists, mostly citizens of Louisville. The buildings, which are for the most part of brick, with French roof and cupolas, will cover, when completed, about

THREE ACRES OF GROUND,

and will employ not less than 1,000 men. It will be the largest establishment of its kind in the West, and will contain machinery of the most approved pattern. The buildings are pretty nearly completed, the principal work to be done being the slating of the roofs and exterior decorations. The construction of the buildings has been attended with much risk to limb and life, because of the steepness of the roof and the construction of the cupolas. But until yesterday there had been no accidents of any importance. The accident yesterday did not result from the peculiar construction of the buildings, but from the

FAILURE AND INSUFFICIENT SUPPORTS

of a cupola, of one of the largest buildings, and the cause of it may be traced directly to the architect of the work. The victims by the accident are: Killed, Nicholas Vozle, of No. 51 Wentworth avenue; Andrew Lellinger, of No. 22 West Seventeenth street; and the injured are, Charles Murley, of No. 199 Meagher street; Frank Melan, who resides at the corner of Union and Seventeenth streets; and Joseph Palton, of No. 54 Russe street. Murley and Melan are believed to be fatally injured internally. When the accident occurred, the roof which fell swarmed with busy slaters, and the wonder is that, so many escaped uninjured, and the fortunate result can only be accounted for by the fact that the roof being that of a cupola, the men were afforded means of safety by sliding off to the main roof, or grasping in their descent numerous rafters. In the confusion which followed the catastrophe it was almost impossible for our reporter to ascertain the exact cause of the accident, but it appeared that it was occationed by the parting of the tie-beams of the roof of the cupola, which were united and held together by slender scantling, spliced in the centre. These gave away, and, the tie-beams separating,

THE ROOF FELL IN.

The only excuse offered by the contractors was that the roof had upon it an unusual weight, there being many piles of slate upon it, and an unusual number of slaters, who were endeavoring to cover the roof by 6 o'clock last evening. The first intimation of the giving away of the roof was observed by workmen on the ground-floor of the establishment, who got out of the building with all possible haste. The falling of the roof seems to have been very gradual, for the workmen inside had entirely vacated the building before it had fallen. Many workmen on the top of the building saved themselves by sliding from the cupola to the main roof, while others caught hold of rafters and beams, and thus saved themselves. The two men who were killed, Vogle and Lellinger, were working on the comb of the roof, and fell in with it. The three who were injured attempted to save themselves by jumping to the main roof, but, failing in the attempt, were precipitated to the ground---a distance of about 35 feet.

THE CONFUSION

which followed the accident was very great; had it been less, Vogle's life might have been saved, since, had he been extricated from the wreck promptly, he would probably have lived. Lellinger was instantly killed. He was caught between two sides of the roof, and almost cut in two. It was nearly half an hour after the roof fell before Vogle and Lellinger were taken out. Both were dead at the time. Murley, Melan, and Palton, falling as they did upon the top of the wreck, were easily rescued. The two former were not much mangled, but were found to have sustained serious internal injuries. Palton had his left leg and arm broken. As soon as possible Dr. C. C. Buckley and Hobbs were on the ground, and rendered invaluable service. The injured men were removed to a boarding-house near by and every attention given them that the circumstances would permit. The bodies of Vogle and Lellinger were placed in wagons and taken to their respective residences. As soon as the injured men had received the proper medical attention, they were removed to their homes in easy-going conveyances. Murley's and Melan's sufferings were intense, and their groans were agonizing to hear. It is Dr. Buckley's belief that

BOTH WILL PROBABLY DIE.

Too much praise cannot be given this physician for his sympathetic treatment of the injured men. Vogle was a widower, and leaves a daughter aged 17 years, who underwent the trial of the loss of her mother but a few months ago. She seemed heart-broken when our reporter saw her last evening. Lellinger, the other victim of the accident, leaves a wife and three young children, entirely unprovided for. Murley and Melan, who are believed to have received fatal injuries, are both single men, as also is Palton. The victims by the accident were all slaters in the employ of C. M. Clark & Co., Room 18, No. 188 Madison street. The injury to the building will cost the Company but little more than $1,000, and will cause but little delay in getting the works in operation.

PERSONAL.

N. Wakagama, of Japan, is at the Sherman.

F. F. Low, of China, is at the Grand Pacific.

John Boysen, of Washington, is at the Palmer.

Gen. H. R. Anderson, of New York, is at the Sherman.

Senator George G. Wright, of Iowa, is at the Sherman.

Senator A. M. York, of Kansas, is at the Palmer.

The Hon. C. J. L. Meyer, of Fond du Lac, is at the Sherman.

The Hon. J. M. Rust, of Wisconsin, is at the Grand Pacific.

Gen. J. W. Turner, of St. Louis, is at the Grand Pacific.

The Hon. John B. Jervis, of Rome, N. Y., is at the Grand Pacific.

Dr. J. G. Holland, of New York, is at the Grand Pacific.

The Hon. John D. Adams, of Jackson, Miss., is at the Sherman.

The Hon. D. T. Littler, of Springfield, is at the Grand Pacific.

The Hon. George S. Boutwell, of Massachusetts, is at the Sherman.

Dr. Curran has assumed the editorial management of the *Western Catholic*.

Senator R. J. Oglesby and his bride left the city yesterday for Washington.

H. Mercy Thompson, of England, and A. Campbell White, of Ceylon, are at the Grand Pacific.

In the law columns yesterday an unfortunate error was committed by saying that August Wallbaum entered up judgment against William S. Golsen for $1,235. It should have been the reverse, the judgment being in favor of Mr. Golsen, against Mr. Wallbaum.

George A. Ellis, Boston; Nathan Blakely, Beatrice, Neb.; W. C. Smith, St. Louis; George McPherson, Pittsburgh; and Robert H. Wilson, Sterling, are guests at the Palmer.

George F. Hathaway, St. John, N. B.; H. W. Evans, St. Louis; J. D. Adams and A. D. Brooks, Jackson, Miss.; M. D. Warren, New York, and George M. Crocker, of Minnesota, are registered at the Sherman.

Philip Deidarheimer, San Francisco; G. H. Sweet, San Antonio, Texas; G. A. Emery, Wyoming; J. C. Potter, Boston; R. G. Ingersoll, Peoria; and H. E. Lagraw, of New York, are stopping at the Grand Pacific.

Otto Matz, the architect, is about to start on a European trip. He will be accompanied by J. E. De Haven. Mr. Matz was presented on Friday evening with an elegant watch and chain by "his friends, the contractors."

Yesterday morning, after the salesman at Butters' auction-rooms had slaughtered several stoves of various patterns, and had disposed of a piano, and sacrificed some bedroom furniture, he came to some pictures hanging upon the wall. The frames, which were sold along with their contents, were of large size, and were resplendent with gold-leaf, or Dutch metal. They were that kind of frame which would adorn the walls of any parlor, and several ladies present openly expressed their admiration of their magnificence. These frames contained large-sized tinted photographs of Mayor Medill, Louis Wahl, Dr. Truman Miller, and Mr. Felton, Superintendent of the Bridewell. They were the pictures which figured in the Art-Gallery of the Exposition, and, failing to find a purchaser there, were sent to auction when the Exposition closed. The first one taken up was that of Mr. Felton, and, together with the others, was bid off to the artist, no other competitor appearing for any of them. The prices bid were, therefore, no index to their value. The indifference of the assembled multitude when it came to Mayor Medill's turn to be auctioned off was amazing. No one did him or the other distinguished citizens the empty compliment of offering even $5 for their portraitures.

THE CITY IN BRIEF.

The next party of the Union Club will be given at Martine's West Side Hall on Friday evening next.

The official statement of receipts at the Stock-Yards yesterday showed them to be: Cattle, 614; hogs, 18,721; sheep, 235.

Mr. A. M. Griswold, the well-known "Fat Contributor," will deliver his funny lecture on "Injin Meal," at Kingsbury Hall, on Saturday evening next.

At the last meeting of the Mulligan Zouaves, the Company unanimously tendered their services to the Adjutant-General of this State "in case of an emergency in Cuba."

The owner of the bark Homer yesterday received the following dispatch from Escanaba: "The Homer off all right; gone after lumber. Tug Wood had not gone there."

The Rev. Jesse B. Thomas will preach at 7:30 o'clock this evening in the Western Avenue Baptist Church, and there deliver his last sermon previous to his departure for Brooklyn.

George Morrits put his hand in the pocket of Mrs. Fanny Gill, in a stage on West Randolph street, for which Scully held him to the Criminal Court in bail of $700.

Charles Johnson, a boy 14 years old, stole $50 worth of silverware from S. L. Bartholemae, 203 West Washington street. He was held to the Criminal Court in bail of $200.

The case of Kelly, the desperado and burglar, who was written up a few days since, came up before Scully yesterday, and he was put under bail of $6,000.

The Independent Club held their third party at Martine's South Side Hall on Thursday evening last, the attendance being unusually large. The next party will be given on Thursday evening, Dec 4.

The second party of the Entre Nous Club was given on Wednesday evening last, and was in every way a success. All members express themselves highly pleased. A "calico hop" is announced for Dec. 17.

The Union Catholic Library Association will give another of their agreeable literary and musical entertainments on Tuesday evening. The programme contains readings from popular authors, piano solos, vocal performances, and recitations.

A meeting of the Chicago Society of Physicians and Surgeons will be held to-morrow evening at the Grand Pacific Hotel. Papers on "Club Foot," "Bright's Disease," and "Vaccine Cicatrices" will be read.

Detective Joe Dixon yesterday arrested a young man named Henry C. Walker, on the charge of stealing a large quantity of stationery from a store in Columbus, O. The prisoner was locked up at the Central Station, and will be taken to Ohio to-morrow.

The alarm of fire from Box 132, at half-past 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, was caused by the discovery of flames in a junk shop at No. 127 Indiana street, occupied by O. C. Johns. The fire originated from spontaneous combustion. The loss was about $200; insured for $1,000.

Gustave Manhold stole $1.05 from a fellow-workman, who had him arrested, and the officer found on his person a lady's watch and chain. Capt. Lull has the watch, and wants the owner to call for it. Scully held Manhold in bail of $200.

The tenth annual ball of the Father Mathew Temperance Society will be given on Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, at the Society's halls, on Harrison street, near Halsted, and at the corner of Clark and Monroe streets. The same ticket admits the holder to both places.

Mrs. Leonowens will lecture in Unity Church this evening on the Court of Siam, and, by request, she will deliver another of her lectures at Memorial Chapel (Church of the Messiah) on Tuesday evening. The subject is of great interest, and should bring out a good audience.

The ladies of the Protestant Orphan Asylum on Michigan avenue call upon the public for contributions to the annual Thanksgiving dinner to the poor little inmates. Anything, cooked or uncooked, that will make the occasion a pleasant one to the children, will be most gratefully received at No. 797 Michigan avenue.

A new religious journal, to be called the *Alliance*, the editorial columns of which will be in charge of Prof. Swing, the Rev. Dr. E. H. Thomas, and other eminent divines of the city, will soon appear. It is to be issued every Saturday, and is intended to be a local religious newspaper.

The notorious procurer and club-swinger, John McLaughlin, who left Chicago some six months ago in fear of his life, is said to be again in this city. When last heard of he was coachman to H. T. Helmbold, the bankrupt buchu man, in Paris. If it be true that he is in the city, the police should find out his whereabouts and place him under lock and key.

Yesterday morning, as Officer Casserly was taking George Moritz from Justice Scully's court room to the Union Street Station, the prisoner suddenly drew a pop bottle from his pocket and dealt the officer a murderous blow on the side of the head, knocking him down. The prisoner then ran away, but, being pursued by Officers John O'Conner and Casserly, was soon recaptured.

"The Last Words of Christ on Calvary" will be the theme of a series of discourses, by the Rev. A. Judson Frost, on successive Sabbath evenings, commencing this evening, at the University Place Baptist Church, Thirty-fifth street, west of Cottage Grove avenue; subject of the morning sermon, "The Cleansing of the Ten Lepers."

The Committee composed of Mr. Rosenberg, Mrs. Marsh, and W. B. Billings, appointed to make a final settlement of the Exposition charity benefit, report that each of the twenty institutions receives $200. The representatives of these institutions can obtain a check for the amount from Mr. Billings at the Newsboys' Home on Tuesday morning.

Friday evening, John Hugh McIntosh will give readings at Providence Baptist Church, on Perch street, between Fulton and Kinzie. The proceeds are to be used for the benefit of the church, which has lately been enlarged, and needs and deserves money. The programme is an excellent one, and the reputation of the reader stands very high.

Mr. Samuel Bland will deliver a lecture in Kingsbury Hall on Wednesday evening, the subject being, "On Our Frontier." This is a novelty in the lecture-field, for the speaker will tell with a true sportsman's relish of the way the buffalo is hunted on the plains; how the fur-bearing animals are trapped; all about mining in Nevada, and mountain life and sports. Here is a splendid subject for a lecture, if it is well handled.

The November number of the *Home Visitor*, the organ of that excellent institution, the Home for the Friendless, is an interesting issue. It contains a juvenile story entitled "Daylight and Dark," an account of orphanage in England, a spicy article on "Hints to Women," [illegible] extracts from the diary of Mrs. Grant, the Matron, and many other good things. Miss Bowman edits the paper, which is worthy of support. The Home gives food and shelter to the hungry and homeless, and is one of the most useful charities in the city.

Thanksgiving will be celebrated at the Church of the Epiphany, Throop street, with the usual services, carols, and decorations. Preparations are making to insure to the public a beautiful and spirited celebration. The church will be elaborately decorated with all the fruits and vegetable productions of the soil, the children will sing their sweetest carols, and the Rector will preach a sermon on the times. This church had last year the most elaborate festival of the kind ever known here.

Thomas Windmill was charged, not by a second Don Quixote, but by Ternice Newman, with stealing some clothes, a stove, and some other articles, about the last of October. Newman lives at No. 987 West Randolph street, and he says Thomas entered his house in the night and took the above-mentioned property, to the value of $90. He got out a search-warrant and searched the house of Thomas, No. 961 West Madison street, and found the property. The case was continued yesterday morning by Scully, till the 29th inst. in bail of $800.

The prizes allotted to the successful players in the recent billiard tournament at Kingsbury Music Hall were distributed yesterday afternoon at Foley's billiard-room. Suitable addresses were made by Mr. J. H. Haynie to each player, and all of the winners responded as best they could. The majority of them, however, suffered from extreme nervousness, and their very eloquent remarks were for the most part lost to a large and wondering audience. Messrs. Tom Foly and Michael Geary, the gentlemen who managed the tournament, made some remarks, promising their hearers that first-class tournaments would be given in Chicago annually.

P. C. Walsh, whose name was published in connection with the shooting of a Merchants' policeman at his place on the corner of West Lake and Halsted streets, about two weeks since, the particulars of which were given in THE TRIBUNE at the time, was in attendance upon Justice Scully yesterday. No one appearing to prosecute, he was discharged. Mr. Walsh has been a resident of this city over sixteen years, during which time, he claims, he has accumulated considerable property by industry and a course the antipodes of which one naturally associates with those who do indiscriminate shooting.

A meeting of the Directors of the Chicago Public Library was held in their rooms yesterday afternoon. There were present: Messrs. Thomas Hoyne, Chairman; Hays, Rosenthal, Raster, and Quesl. The meeting was called for the purpose of considering the report of a committee appointed to consider the subject of the procuring of suitable rooms for the Association. The report of said Committee mentioned several suitable buildings, among which was that on the southeast corner of Wabash avenue and Madison street. The Committee reported that they had conferred with the Board of Education with regard to the old Post-Office building, and had found that they could secure room there by advancing $10,000 to fit it up. They could have two upper rooms. The matter was referred to the Committee, who were requested to reconsider the offer of the Post-Office building and report accordingly.

The inquest on the body of Mrs. Mary A. Hill, the particulars of whose death are already known, after occupying five days, was concluded yesterday afternoon, the jury rendering the following verdict: We, the jury, find that the said Mary A. Hill, now lying dead at No. 22 Price place, in the City of Chicago, County of Cook, and State of Illinois, came to her death Nov. 14, 1873, from inflamation of the uterus and peritoneum, produced by an abortion, and we, the jury, from the evidence, find that said abortion was the result of an operation performed on the said Mary Adele Hill by Dr. Charles Earll, with the knowledge and consent of James Hill, husband of the aforesaid Mary A. Hill, and we, the jury, recommend that the said Dr. Charles Earll be held as principal, and the said James Hill as accessory, before the fact, to answer to the Grand Jury in the case. Coroner Stephens, in pursuance of the verdict, immediately issued mittimuses for the arrest of Earll and Hill, and both were taken into custody and assigned to quarters in the County Jail.

An item appeared in THE TRIBUNE yesterday concerning the disappearance of a little girl named Lillie Reese. More light has been thrown upon the matter by the statement of Mr. Charles Harris, conductor of a passenger-train on the Michigan Central Railroad. This gentleman states that he had a passenger accurately corresponding with the description given of the missing girl, who is 14 years of age. She had a first-class ticket to Rochester, N. Y. Another conductor who was on the same train, off duty, occupied a seat adjoining the girl, and watched her very closely. She was evidently much excited, and manifested great alarm whenever any one approached her. The statement regarding her going away with a man was received from some of the school-children. There is reason to believe that the girl observed by Mr. Harris is Lillie Reese, as it has since been stated by some of her playmates that Lillie had told them she was going to Rochester, and the Sisters there would raise her as a lady and make a music-teacher of her. Her mother, she said, would not let her go out, but insisted on her remaining at home and working. She did not like work, and would much rather be a lady. This is a very probable solution of the story.

RAILWAY NEWS.

How the Grand Trunk Road Is Being Improved---Through to New Orleans Without Change of Cars.

The work on the Grand Trunk Railway of Canada, reducing it from a broad to a narrow gauge, to make it correspond with American roads, is rapidly progressing. The line between Buffalo and Sarnia was narrowed some months ago. Subsequently, the Goderich line was also reduced, and the work of narrowing the main line between Stratford and Montreal is being rapidly pushed. For some time past two new narrow-gauge locomotives have been delivered every day, and a large number of cars have also been completed, and by next year 450 new locomotives will be on the road. It will also be amply stocked with Pullman palace cars. These improvements are almost as important as was the construction of the railroad at first. Passengers and property shipped at Chicago can be taken through to New York, Boston, Portland, and Montreal without change. In fact, the Grand Trunk will hereafter be in a condition to compete with the American roads for the trade of the Great West. Live stock and grain were transported heretofore under almost insurmountable difficulties. But live stock can now be loaded at Chicago and not moved out until at arrives at the Buffalo or the Boston cattle-yards. Narrowing the gauge replacing old iron rails with new steel ones, the addition of so much new rolling stock, and the opening of the great international bridge, will practically prove of about as much advantage as a new single track railroad between the West and the Atlantic seaboard.

THROUGH TO NEW ORLEANS.

On or about the 1st of December next, through trains will be run direct from this city to New Orleans, via the Illinois Central, Mississippi Central, and the New Orleans, Jackson & Great Northern Railroads. A connection between the Mississippi Central and the Illinois Central, from Jackson, Tenn., to Cairo, a distance of 106 miles, has been in course of construction by the Southern Railroad Association, which is the lessee of the Mississippi Central and the New Orleans, Jackson & Great Northern Roads during the last two years, and will be completed by the time above stated. The approaches on this side of the Mississippi have already been completed, and the immense ferry-boat, which is said to be the finest in the country, and a description of which has already been published in these columns, has been placed in position. People going to New Orleans will save eight hours' time by this arrangement, and will not need to change cars until they arrive at New Orleans. E. D. Frost, the General Manager of the Southern Railroad Association, will be in this city in a few days to make the final arrangements for the opening of this new and important route to the Gulf of Mexico.

WON AT LAST.

Some years ago, the Illinois Central Railroad Company was sued by Cobb, Christy & Co. in the Circuit Court of Bloomington, for delay in the transportation of grain in 1865. The first trial resulted in a verdict against the Railroad Company for a very large amount. The Company appealed to the Supreme Court, which remanded the case back to the court below. Yesterday morning, after a second trial which lasted three weeks, the jury brought in a verdict finding for the defendant.

—An American of "collegiate and professional education," "highly recommended," advertises in the Washington *Chronicle* that he will give $1,000 to obtain any Government position at a salary of $1,000 or over.

A NEW QUESTION.

Can a National Bank Be Put into Bankruptcy.

The Question Raised with Respect to the Manufacturers' National.

A week ago Saturday J. B. Smith & Co. filed a petition against the Manufacturers' National Bank, to throw it into bankruptcy, alleging that the bank was then a debtor of the petitioners to the amount of $1,500, on account of money deposited, which it had failed to pay for fourteen days after request for the same, and charging that the bank had committed acts of bankruptcy in suspending payment of said deposit, and, also, by giving numerous preferential assignments to various persons, by turning over paper and securities in payment of sundry creditors. The usual rule to show cause was not issued, but was deferred until an argument could be heard on the question as to whether a National Bank could be put into bankruptcy. Messrs. Harding, McCoy & Pratt and Mr. T. C. Whiteside appeared for petitioners, and argued that the power was unquestionable, as the jurisdiction is expressly given by the Banking act of 1864, and also by the Bankrupt law of 1867. The Banking act, by the eighth and thirty-seventh sections, expressly gives to creditors the right to sue the corporation as they would other natural persons. The Bankrupt act was passed nearly three years after the Banking act, and merely gave a remedy which a creditor under the old Banking act had a right to use. The Bankrupt act confers the same power by the thirty-seventh section, where it is said the Bankrupt act shall apply to all moneyed and stock corporations, and where a banker has fraudulently suspended payment of his commercial paper it shall be deemed an act of bankruptcy. The remedies are either concurrent or that given under the Bankrupt act is a distinct remedy. The Banking act does not provide any scheme for the bankruptcy of banks,—does not make any provision for their insolvency. There is only one provision made in the Banking act for the non-payment of anything, and that is for the non-payment of the circulating notes of the bank, in which case the Comptroller may sell the bonds held by him, or, with the concurrence of the Secretary of the Treasury, have a Receiver appointed to distribute the assets, but there is no provision for any other non-payment. The Bankrupt act simply furnishes a proceeding which the Banking act says a creditor shall have against a bank, and the policy of the Bankrupt act is in perfect harmony with the Banking act. The fundamental error is in supposing that the two acts are inconsistent.

Judge Lawrence, associated with Messrs. Ayer and Kales, for the bank, argued that the Comptroller is the person appointed by law to wind up the affairs of the bank. When a bank is insolvent it can go into voluntary liquidation and settle its claims. Supposing an Assignee were to be appointed, no person could be found who, on the sale of the assets, would bid anything near their true value when it was known that the Comptroller could step in and assert hostile rights. Again, no Assignee could reduce to possession the bonds held by the United States. They might be sold for the benefit of the holders of notes, and then there would remain a surplus in the hands of the Government,—assets which could not be reduced to possession by the Assignee. It is impossible to conceive of greater conflict than would arise from this cause. The act in existence provides for all emergencies, and for the security of the Government. A bank cannot be put into bankruptcy unless the Bankrupt act repeals the Banking act and substitutes the Bankrupt act, and the question is to determine which of the laws is in force. Now, does the Bankrupt law repeal the Banking law? In the 8th Wallace the question is settled. The Court there recognizes the provisions of the Banking act as in full force, and Congress recognizes it as in full force. The counsel on the other side must fall back on the proposition that either of the remedies are applicable, at the discretion of the Judge. By the act, the banks are required to keep on hand enough to pay the ordinary run of their depositors, which is fixed at 25 per cent of their notes; and it is not the intention that depositors shall be allowed to force a bank into bankruptcy in that mode. If the Bankrupt act were to be repealed to-morrow, the banks could go on as they have done under the Banking law. If the depositors during the late panic, when everyone was apprehensive and doubtful where he stood, could have forced the National Banks into bankruptcy, it would have caused a universal crash over the country, and would have done more than anything else to make it hopelessly insolvent.

The argument was not concluded, but will be resumed when Judge Blodgett shall have concluded the Howell case, now on trial.

A BRUTAL OUTRAGE.

Has a Chinaman Any Rights Which an American Citizen of Foreign Birth Is Bound to Respect?---A Policeman Who Believed Not.

Does it or does it not pay to be a foreigner? that is the question. Whether 'tis safer to speak an unknown language, or to express oneself in Anglo-Saxon---that's the question. The recent elections showed the political advantages of coming from the "other side," but it seems that the "other side" does not guarantee such joyous privileges as it ought. It is scarcely intelligible that the storms of the Atlantic confer privileges of American citizenship which the balmy breezes of the Pacific are powerless to bestow; or that one foreign language should guarantee immunity from outrage while another not more barbarous tongue should invite persecution. These things do not appear at first sight. Possibly some of the Kaiser's philosophers can determine when the following narrative has been read and digested:

At about 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon, business men who were lunching in a cafe on Dearborn street, between Madison and Washington streets, observed a man, evidently a foreigner, accost the proprietor of the place,—a heavily-built man,—also a foreigner. The stranger had so far become Americanized as to dress in the garments of civilization, with a modern hat and gloves. There was nothing in his attire to show that he was a Chinaman, and his Mongolian features and broken English alone testified to his alien birth. The man who accosted had nothing about him to show he was an American citizen, except that he was in an American city, proprietor of a cafe patronized by American gentlemen. He was a Chinaman.

The unfortunate Mongolian was, it is understood, in the laundry business, and understood a little less of the English language than did the Teuton he addressed. He presented to the Teuton a bill for washing, which the latter was not ready to pay at that moment. The Mongolian was told to "Come round at 3 o'clock for his money." It is not stated as a fact, but as a possibility, that if this remark had been uttered in terse, intelligible English the Mongolian might have understood it; but it is stated as a fact that, being somewhat diluted with German accent, the laundryman did not understand it, but meekly remained standing, while the other strode away. How long he might have remained waiting, until an intelligent reply came in the form of money, cannot be determined, for the European foreigner, after a few minutes' absence, returned to him and told him to go away. The Asiatic foreigner, not comprehending this polyglot command, pointed to his bill, whereupon the Teuton, a burly fellow, seized him by the collar and dragged him to the door, and then struck the poor creature a heavy coward's blow in the face. Even a meek-eyed Mongolian will fight, and the individual thus contemptibly assaulted turned on the obese foreigner from the "other side." The latter, whose weight was double that of the other, easily mastered his opponent, got his head "in chancery," and dealt him half-a-dozen heavy blows in the face before the gentlemen in the cafe could interfere. When assistance came to the poor creature, it was too late to save him from anything short of murder. His eyes were fearfully swollen, his nose broken, and his mouth bloody and torn. Staggering on to the sidewalk, followed by those who were lunching in the cafe, the poor Chinaman fell into the arms of Dan O'Hara, who immediately called a policeman to arrest the cowardly restaurateur. And thus did this intelligent officer---an American citizen---come to the relief of the bleeding Chinaman. He asked him if he had a warrant, to which the Chinaman replied in the negative, obviously ignorant of what a warrant was. "Well," lofully instructed the policeman, "go to a Justice of the Peace and procure a warrant; I can't arrest the man without a warrant."

Since the poor Chinaman did not understand what the officer was saying; did not know what a Justice of the Peace was; would not have known where to find one, supposing he did know; could not have procured a warrant if he had found one; and, finally, did not know the name of the cowardly creature who had so mutilated him, he was compelled to forego the prosecution of the more fortunate, though less manly, foreigner.

Getting Clothes.

From the Danbury News.

When a woman buys an article of wearing apparel, it is all right. She is not counseled to take it back because of this or that defect. She ignores man's knowledge in the matter, and he is only too glad to escape to make any protest. But when he upholsters himself in any particular, she gives the articles the most critical examination, and in nine cases out of ten hurries him right back with it. Between that man's regard for his wife and fear of the merchant, he loses a great deal that is pleasant in this world. It is also a little singular what a wonderful effect the store where you have made the purchase has upon the fit of the article. I have known a man to go back three times with a coat. The first time it pinched him a little under the arms. The dealer had him try it on; then pulled it down in the back, stood off and squinted at it, and then said, "How does that feel now?" The man, perspiring at every pore, and feeling that he was guilty, in some way, of taking unfair advantage of a trusting fellow-mortal, confessed it was much better, and went off.

The next day he appeared, with the impression that there was no spot in the cloth; his wife said so. The salesman gave him such a pitying glance, and whipped the coat over from one side to the other so rapidly, and talked so fast about texture and wool, that the miserable wretch was glad to get the garment back, and get out of the store.

Two days later, he sneaked in again with the coat under his arm. This time it pinched across the back. The tailor had him try it on again, and then rubbed it across the back and pulled it at the front, and said he never saw anything fit like that in his life; and the man went off with a similar belief. He didn't go back any more; but he used to stand in front of that store, when no one was looking, and shake his fist through the window at the tailor, and think up the things he wanted to do to him, but which there appeared no immediate prospect of doing.

MARRIAGES.

BROWN—THOMPSON—In this city, at the residence of the bride's mother, on the 17th inst., by the Rev. E. H. Reid, Emma, second daughter of the late O. H. Thompson, to Edward C. Brown, all of Chicago.

KUNDINGER—PALMER—In this city, on the 15th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Rinder, Prof. Sigmund Kundinger and Lydia A. Palmer.

MOWRY—HANDY—On Wednesday, Nov. 19, by the Rev. D. A. Strong, at the bride's home, Coleraine, Mass., Mr. H. C. Mowry, of Chicago, Ill., and Miss S. J. Handy.

NICHOLS—GROSSMITH—On 20th November, 1873, Miss Ada Grossmith and Mr. John Nichols, both of this city.

COLBY—RANSOM—At the residence of the bride's parents, Sugt., Ill., on Tuesday, Nov. 18, Uriah J. Colby and Miss Althea Faxon Ransom. No cards.

DEATHS.

NELSON—Isaac Nelson, Nov. 21, of pneumonia, aged 20 years.

Funeral from his late residence, corner Centre and Dayton-sts., Sunday, 2 p. m.

SHOOK—Nov. 21, in this city, Mrs. Nancy Shook, in the 70th year of her age.

Funeral from her residence, 75 West Erie-st., Sunday, Nov. 23, at 12½ o'clock p. m., by carriages to Graceland.

RYAN—Nov. 21, 1873, Mrs. Ellen Ryan, aged 75 years.

Funeral from the residence of her son-in-law, Thomas Burke, 142 Bushnell-st., to-day, at 1 o'clock, by cars to Calvary.

ROSS—Nov. 21, Susie M. Ross, aged 10 years, daughter of Mrs. A. E. and the late Britton Ross.

Funeral service at the residence, No. 33 Twenty-fifth-st., at 2 p. m.

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TONK—Edward Tonk, son of William Tonk, in his 14th year, of hydrothis.

Funeral from his parents' house, 698 North Franklin-st., near Wisconsin, on Sunday, Nov. 23, at 1:30 p. m. Friends are invited.

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